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# Warriors support area Memorial Day events

By Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol  
Public affairs

In terms of support, Memorial Day 2003 goes down as one of the busiest days for Warriors of the North.

Not only are base members heading out to 17 different communities in North Dakota and Minnesota to serve as guest speaker for community observances, dozens of base volunteers will go out to place flags in local cemeteries. Additionally, several base honor guard teams will participate in events in three cities.

The honor guard, which is going to Larimore in North Dakota and East Grand Forks and Thief River Falls in Minnesota Monday, traditionally performs flag-folding ceremonies or special request items by the communities. Tech. Sgt. Kenneth Clere, 319th Air Refueling Wing staff, said sending teams out for these events is crucial for one main reason.

“It’s important to remember all of those who served before us,” Clere said. “Veterans have served with honor and pride and we should not forget those who served with honor and pride to protect and serve our country.”

With the Speaker’s Bureau, seven cities are supported in Minnesota and there are 10 in North Dakota. Supporting Memorial Day as a guest speaker for the first time is 1st Lt. Kevin Campbell, 319th Logistics Readiness Squadron. He said he has professional and personal reasons to participate.

“I think it’s important to support these events not only for community relations purposes, but more importantly we need to honor our veterans,” Campbell said. “My father was a World War II veteran and I almost feel obligated to just go out and do this. It’s my turn to give back to the community and if I can do it by representing my service – that’s even better.”

People from the base are encouraged to attend Memorial Day festivities. Following are the cities and

places base members are serving as guest speakers, with the honor guard, or are participating with Memorial Day preparations.

**Minnesota**

**East Grand Forks** – Col. Steve Wayne, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander, is the featured guest speaker Monday at 11 a.m. at East Grand Forks’ Resurrection Cemetery. Also joining Colonel Wayne will be a team from the base honor guard.

**Crookston** – First Lt. Kevin Campbell, 319th LRS, will speak Monday at 9 a.m. in Crookston.

**Thief River Falls** – Chief Master Sgt. Danny Holwerda, 319th ARW command chief, will speak Monday at 10:30 a.m. in Greenwood Cemetery in Thief River Falls. Also joining Chief Holwerda will be a team from the base honor guard.

**Roseau** – Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol, 319th ARW public affairs office, will speak Monday at 10 a.m. at Roseau High School.

**McIntosh** – Master Sgt. Michael Martin, 319th ARW inspector general office, will speak at the McIntosh VFW Club Monday at 10:30 a.m.

**Oslo** – First Lt. Matthew Smiley, 319th Maintenance Squadron, will speak at the Oslo American Legion Monday at 10 a.m.

**Plummer** – First Lt. Brian Powers, 319th Operations Support Squadron weather flight, will speak at the Plummer City Park Monday at 10 a.m.

**North Dakota**

**Grand Forks** – Master Sgt. Tom Tezel, 319th Medical Group first sergeant and post commander for Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1874, will serve as the guest speaker during the Grand Forks observance 11 a.m. Monday in the Grand Forks Sunnywood Memorial Gardens cemetery.

**Thompson** – Master Sgt. Gary Cleland, 319th Air Refueling Wing military equal opportunity office, will

be the guest speaker for the Thompson observance Monday at 11 a.m. in Thompson High School.

**Walhalla** – Tech. Sgt. Scott Davis, 319th Air Refueling Wing public affairs office, will speak at the Walhalla Legion Hall Monday at 11 a.m.

**Forest River** – Airman 1st Class Anne Clark, 319th Maintenance Squadron, will be the guest speaker who visits four different cemeteries Monday starting at 8:15 a.m. in Forest River, Ardoch, Inkster and Johnstown.

**Park River** – Staff Sgt. Richele Aumiller, 319th Mission Support Squadron Airman Leadership School, will speak Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the Park River City Hall.

**Pembina** – Tech. Sgt. Gabriel Swann, 319th Maintenance Operations Squadron, speaks at the Pembina observance May 26. A place is still to be determined.


**St. Thomas** – Master Sgt. Joseph Allen, 319th Communications Squadron, will speak Monday at 11 a.m. in St. Thomas. The speaking engagement also includes visiting four cemeteries in the area in and around St. Thomas.

**Lakota** – Master Sgt. Troy Harris, 319th Medical Operations Squadron, will be the guest speaker for Lakota services Monday at 11 a.m. in the Lakota community center.

**Drayton** – Master Sgt. Richard Pasamante, 319th Air Refueling Wing inspector general office, will speak at the Drayton Senior Center Monday.

**Larimore** – Master Sgt. Richard Lien, Grand Forks AFB Fire Department, will speak in Larimore High School Monday at 10 a.m.

Monday morning, base volunteers will place flags on graves at Sunnywood Memorial Gardens in Grand Forks. Anyone else who wants to volunteer to place flags or participate in the effort should call John Hanson at 747-6434.




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# *DOD announces details of tanker lease program*

**WASHINGTON (AFPN)** — The approval of the Air Force KC-767 tanker lease initiative was announced May 23 by Edward C. “Pete” Aldridge, under secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics.

The agreement provides for leasing 100 KC-767 aircraft from the Boeing Co. for six years starting in 2006, at a cost of \$138 million per aircraft.

The initiative also includes a provision to purchase the aircraft for about \$4 billion at the end of the lease in 2017.

All things considered, Mr. Aldridge said, the Air Force’s initiative seemed like the best deal for America.

“We all recognized that one day we were going to have to recapitalize the tanker fleet,” he said. “We cannot continue to fly KC-135s forever, and the longer you wait to recapitalize, the more you run the risk of a fleet of those aircraft being grounded for some reason. So we have to get started, and here is an opportunity to start with a minimal amount of up-front Department of Defense dollars, and we can get our aircraft delivered much faster.”

The undersecretary added that tankers have become a very important element of U.S. airpower.

“We saw the value of tankers in the recent Iraqi conflict,” he said. “Tankers are a central part of our ability to do what we want to do in the military.”

Gen. John W. Handy, U.S. Transportation Command commander and Air Mobility Command commander, echoed those sentiments.

“This decision is a welcome first step toward recapitalization of our vital tanker fleet,” Gen. Handy said. “Aerial refueling is key to ensuring America’s global vigilance, reach and power, and the timely addition of these 767s will enable us to maintain and improve that capability. It’s a great investment for the Nation, one that will pay dividends for years to come.”

In the next step, the secretary of the Air Force will now forward a report to Congressional oversight committees detailing the terms and conditions for review and approval.

The strategy allows the Air Force to begin replacing the KC-135E tanker fleet



*Courtesy photo*

**The KC-767 will be the world’s newest and most advanced tanker. It can offload 20 percent more fuel than the KC-135E and unlike the E-model, can itself be refueled in flight.**

three years earlier than planned. With an average age of over 43 years, E-model KC-135s make up the oldest weapons system in the Air Force inventory.

The KC-767 will be the world’s newest and most advanced tanker. It can offload

20 percent more fuel than the KC-135E and unlike the E-model, can itself be refueled in flight. It will also have the capability to refuel Air Force, Navy, Marine and allied aircraft on every mission.

*(Courtesy Air Force Print News)*



Photo by Ken Wright

## Parents get pinned at academy

**U.S AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. (AFPN) --** Newly commissioned 2nd Lt. Randy Kinsey presents the Air Force Parent Pin to his parents, Cliff and Jill Kinsey of North Richland Hills, Texas. The pin was established by the Air Force to thank the parents of America's airmen for their support of their children's service. The lieutenant is one of 998 officers who were commissioned here May 28.

# Base student selected for prestigious scholarship

Compiled by staff reports

Brittany Osborn has been selected for the prestigious Congress Bundestag Scholarship and will leave Aug. 3 to spend the upcoming academic year in Germany under the American-Scandinavian Student Exchange International Student Exchange Program.

She will return from Germany in June of 2004.

Brittany attends Grand Forks Central High School and is the daughter of Tech. Sgt. Corinne Osborn, 319th Air Refueling Wing, noncommissioned officer in charge of the chaplain division.

The Congress Bundestag program was conceived by the United States Congress and the German Bundestag (Parliament), and in the United States is funded through the United States Department of State.

While in Germany, Brittany will live with a volunteer host family and attend school.

This program enables the student to take part in another culture while making new international friends.

As part of the program, Brittany was selected on the

basis of teacher recommendations, community involvement, grades, as well as written and oral communication skills.

For further information regarding the AASE International Student Exchange Program, including hosting a foreign student for the 2003-2004 school year, call local ASSE International representative Lonny Brakel at 746-5087, or ASSE International at 1-800-736-1760.

*(Courtesy ASSE International press release)*



Brittany Osborn

## News

# Vacation bible school set for June 2-6

### Compiled by staff reports

This year's vacation bible school promises to be an adventure your children will never forget.

The Catholic and Protestant chapel communities invite all base children to join them at Son Harvest County Fair daily from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Eielson Elementary School.

Son Harvest County Fair is a fun and exciting place where children learn to apply biblical teaching to their lives.

Here, children will have a great time singing lively songs, creating prize-winning crafts and playing active games.

Most importantly, they will discover Bible truths about growing the fruit of God's spirit.

Everything will draw to a joyful conclusion at the closing program on June 6 with a musical event the

whole family will enjoy.

Registration is now taking place at all Catholic and Protestant chapel services, or at Prairie Rose Chapel during regular duty hours.

All children that were 3 years old by Aug. 31, 2002, through those that will be completing 6th grade this spring are eligible to register.

Buses will run for students in the 4-year-old class and older.

Adults and teens interested in helping make this program a success are asked to call Mrs. Jane Hutzol at 747-3073, Mrs. Carol Shower at 747-3071, or Prairie Rose Chapel at 747-5673. Please leave a voice message.

### Vacation Bible School bus schedule

#### Yellow Route

<u>Bus Stop</u>	<u>Stop Time</u>	<u>Return Time</u>
I St and Holly Dr	Noon	3:55
I St and Maxwell Ave	Noon	3:55
Maxwell Ave and Hawaii St	12:01	3:54
Hawaii St and Poplar Ave	12:02	3:53
Poplar Ave and I St	12:02	3:53
Poplar Ave and Indiana St	12:03	3:52
Indiana St and Maxwell Ave	12:03	3:52
Maxwell Ave and Iowa St	12:04	3:51
Iowa St and Poplar Ave	12:04	3:51
Iowa St and Redwood Ave	12:05	3:50
Redwood Ave and Indiana St	12:05	3:50
Redwood Ave and I St	12:06	3:49
I St and Spruce Ave	12:07	3:48
I St and Teak Ave	12:07	3:48
I St and Aspen Ave	12:08	3:47
Aspen Ave and Oregon St	12:08	3:47
Aspen Ave and J St	12:09	3:46

J St and Beech Dr	12:10	3:45
New Jersey St and Dogwood Dr (S)	12:10	3:45
2418 Dogwood Dr	12:11	3:44
Dogwood Dr (N) and New Jersey	12:11	3:44
J St and Willow Ave	12:12	3:43
J St and Teak Ave	12:12	3:43
Teak Ave and Louisiana St	12:13	3:42
Louisiana St and Sycamore Dr (N)	12:14	3:41
Louisiana St and Sycamore Dr (S)	12:14	3:41
Louisiana St and Spruce Dr	12:15	3:40
Louisiana St and Redwood Dr (N)	12:15	3:40
Louisiana St and Redwood Dr (S)	12:16	3:39
Louisiana St and Nevada Dr (N)	12:16	3:39
Louisiana St and Randolph Ave	12:17	3:38
Louisiana St and Maxwell Ave	12:18	3:37
Louisiana St and Langley Ave	12:18	3:37
Louisiana St and Nevada Dr (S)	12:19	3:36
Eielson Elementary School	12:20	3:35

#### Green Route

<u>Bus Stop</u>	<u>Stop Time</u>	<u>Return Time</u>
6204 Sunflake Cir	Noon	3:55pm
6208 Sunflake Cir	12:01	3:54
6107 Sunflake Cir	12:02	3:53
6103 Sunflake Cir	12:03	3:52
Billeting (TLF)	12:08	3:47
Youth Center	12:10	3:45
Child Development Center	12:11	3:44
Kentucky St and Cedar Ave	12:12	3:43
Kentucky St and Birch Ave	12:13	3:42
Kentucky St and Ash Ave	12:14	3:41
Ash Ave and Louisiana St	12:15	3:40
Louisiana St and March Dr	12:16	3:39
Louisiana St and Cedar Ave	12:17	3:38
Louisiana St and March Dr	12:18	3:37
Eielson Elementary School	12:20	3:35



# SECAF, CSAF approve test to blend officers, enlisted

By Phil Berube

Air University Public Affairs

**MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. (AFPN)** — The secretary and chief of staff of the Air Force have approved the testing of an initiative designed to improve interaction between officers and enlisted members in the professional military education environment at Air University.

The plan calls for students attending the Air and Space Basic Course and Air Force Senior NCO Academy being matched together in teams for more than a week of instruction, said Col. Jonathan Klaaren, commandant of Squadron

Officer School and acting commander of Squadron Officer College, the parent unit of ASBC.

"Specifically, the initiative would highlight the role of the company grade officer as a leader to enlisted members, and the role of the senior (noncommissioned officer) as a mentor to company grade officers," Klaaren said. "The goal is increased understanding and appreciation of the talents officers and enlisted members bring to the fight."

The test session begins July 21 when 600 lieutenants attending ASBC and 420 people attending the academy will be broken down into teams of nine officers and five NCOs, he said.

A variety of instructional methods will be used during the week.

"The greatest emphasis will be on hands-on instructional methods," said Klaaren.

The expected outcome from this initiative goes beyond what can be derived from classroom lectures or a deployment exercise. Force development is the ultimate goal, said the commander of the College for Enlisted Professional Military Education, the parent unit of the academy.

"Officers who have a better understanding and appreciation for a force they have chosen to lead, coupled with developing a senior NCO's understand-

ing and appreciation of officer force development, can only serve to strengthen our force and solidify our leadership foundation," said Col. Michael Gegg.

Gegg also views this venture as an opportunity to transform the academy's academic culture.

"The academy will be able to utilize this initiative as a catalyst to move from a school of corporate management to a school of combat leadership," he said.

If deemed a success, the colonel said the combined operations session would be included as a block of instruction in both schools in January.

(Courtesy of Air Education and Training Command News Service)

# Mosquitoes meet maker, ground fogging underway

## Compiled from staff reports

Once again Grand Forks AFB is approaching the time when hordes of mosquitoes emerge from over wintering sites throughout the area.

Controlling the immense mosquito population the last two seasons has been a joint effort between the 319th Civil Engineer Environmental Controls shop and the 757th Reserve Aerial Spray Squadron out of Youngstown Reserve Station, Ohio.

With the increased operations tempo and military commitments throughout the world, we may not be supported by aerial spraying this summer. Ground fogging will continue as usual using an integrated approach towards control.

Integrated mosquito management on Grand Forks AFB includes surveillance of adult mosquitoes and larva. Surveillance for mosquitoes, and the resulting control measures, involves a couple of procedures and agencies on base.

The 319th Civil Engineer Environmental Controls Shop began larvaciding standing water when larval sur-

veys show the presence of active larva. This process will continue throughout the mosquito-breeding season and will cause no harm to people, pets, or wildlife.

Additionally, public health monitors adult mosquito numbers using light traps. When the threshold level of trapped mosquitoes is reached, they will contact the environmental controls shop to begin insecticide applications to reduce mosquito populations. The threshold level for the city of Grand Forks is a 100-trapped mosquitoes whereas the base's threshold is 25.

The environmental controls shop will be using Scourge (resmethrin) applied at Ultra Low Volumes (ULV) to control adult mosquito populations. This insecticide is extremely safe when applied as a ULV spray. Spraying will be conducted on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 2000 hours to 2330 hours. This is when adult mosquitoes are at their peak. During these times, children should avoid following the fogging trucks and playing in the fog. Anytime the driver sees children not following these guidelines, the area will not be sprayed.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol

**Ground fogging vehicles will become a common site for base residents this summer. The insecticide is applied to control the mosquito population.**

We will continue to take a proactive stance against the mosquitoes to make your summer as enjoyable as possible. You can contact the 319 CES

Environmental Controls shop at 7-4289 or Public Health at 7-5511 for more details about the base mosquito programs.

## West Nile Virus facts

West Nile encephalitis, a mosquito-transmitted disease, was first documented in North America during the summer of 1999, when an outbreak occurred in New York City. Since that time, cases of West Nile virus infection have been confirmed in northeastern, north central and southern regions of the U.S.

As of December 2001, there were 149 confirmed human cases of WNV, including 18 fatalities.

**Origin of WNV:** WNV was first isolated in 1937 in the West Nile province of Uganda, Africa and can adversely affect humans, birds and other animals in Africa, Eastern Europe, western Asia, and the Middle East. Epidemics have occurred in Africa, Europe, and the Middle East, most recently in Israel during 2000.

**Virus Transmission:** WNV is transmitted by infected mosquitoes, primarily the northern house mosquito, a common household mosquito and the primary vector of WNV. Mosquitoes become infected after biting infected wild birds that serve as the primary host of the virus.

**Mosquito Life Cycle:** Mosquitoes have four distinct life stages (egg, larva, pupa and adult). Female mosquitoes lay their eggs on water or moist substrates such as soil and the interior walls of treeholes, cans and old tires

that are likely to be flooded by water. Most larvae hatch within 48 hours and the larvae and pupae live in water. The adult mosquito emerges from the pupal case and rests on the water's surface until its body dries and its exoskeleton hardens. Female mosquitoes require a blood meal before they can lay eggs, so only female mosquitoes bite. They bite every few days during their entire adult lives, which may last several weeks.

**Mosquito Prevention and Control:** Homeowners can most effectively reduce the number of mosquitoes around their homes and neighborhoods by eliminating the standing water in which mosquitoes grow and breed.

➔ Dispose of anything that holds water, such as tin cans, containers and in particular, used tires, the most prolific mosquito-breeding sites in the country.

➔ Drill holes in the bottoms of recycling containers and check uncovered junk piles.

➔ Clean clogged roof gutters every year, and check storm drains, leaky outdoor faucets, and window wells.

➔ Empty accumulated water from wheelbarrows, boats, cargo trailers, pet dishes, toys, and ceramic pots. If possible, turn these items over when not in use.

➔ Do not allow water to stagnate in birdbaths, ornamental pools, water gardens and swimming pools.

➔ Alter the landscape of your property to eliminate standing water. Keep in mind that during warm weather, mosquitoes can breed in any puddle of water.

➔ Larvicides are highly effective in controlling immature mosquitoes and should be considered when standing water cannot be eliminated.

### Protect Yourself from Bites:

➔ Make sure window and door screens are "bug tight."

➔ Incandescent lights attract mosquitoes, whereas fluorescent lights neither attract nor repel mosquitoes.

➔ Stay indoors at dawn, dusk and in the early evening when mosquitoes are most active.

➔ Insect repellents when applied to exposed skin deter mosquitoes from biting. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that repellents used on children contain no more than 10 percent DEET, the active ingredient in mosquito repellents.

**Symptoms of West Nile Encephalitis:** Most humans infected with WNV have no symptoms. A small percentage of individuals infected develop mild symptoms that include fever, headaches, body aches, swollen lymph glands and a body rash. Encephalitis develops in less than 1 percent of infected people, with severe symptoms that include headache, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, tremors, convulsions, paralysis and coma.

For more information about WNV and mosquito control recommendations call Civil Engineer Environmental Controls Shop at 747-4289 or Public Health at 747-5511 or visit <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/westnile/index.htm>.

# '101 critical days' began on Memorial Day

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — If statistics hold true, 21 airmen will die this summer while "having fun."

The period between Memorial Day and Labor Day is a period of increased off-duty injuries caused by increased activity and risk taking, according to officials from the Air Force Safety Center at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

"The '101 Critical Days of Summer' safety campaign draws attention to increased safety awareness and risk management during this critical time," said Mr. John Russell, the center's chief of ground safety.

Mr. Russell said the elevated mishap rate is caused by people taking advantage of summer weather for sports and recreational activities, and hitting the road for vacations.

Over the last five years, the Air Force has lost an average of 21 members during summer. Of those off-duty fatalities, Mr. Russell said 70 percent are in the 18- to 25-year-old age group.

"The most significant loss of life among Air Force members involves private motor vehicles," he said. "These are tragic and preventable mishaps."

Driving while impaired, speeding and fatigue were the leading contributing factors in the fatal motor vehi-

cle mishaps, Mr. Russell said.

Motorcycle mishaps accounted for about one-third of the Air Force's fatal motor vehicle accidents. Lack of proficiency, speeding and impaired driving were the primary contributors to the fatal two-wheeled incidents, said Mr. Russell.

"Personal safety is the responsibility of each Air Force member, and risk management is a vital part of all activities," Mr. Russell said. "We must be constantly vigilant by analyzing risks, making smart decisions and reassessing risks during the activity."

Safety officials offer the following factors to consider when planning summer travel:



► Wear seatbelts.  
► Remain alert while at the wheel and plan rest breaks at frequent intervals.

► Don't speed in an effort to arrive early — it is better to arrive late than not arrive at all.

► Don't drink alcohol and drive.

► Anticipate the unexpected and be ready to react.

More than anything else, Mr. Russell said airmen and their families should use common sense during the summer, paying particular attention to their surroundings, so that each and every one remains safe and ready to support the Air Force mission.

"People are our most valuable resource," he said. "We need all of them back safe and sound when that vacation comes to a close."

## Ridge outlines how, why terror threat level was raised

By Gerry J. Gilmore  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFP) -- Federal law enforcement organizations -- and some state and local authorities -- ramped up vigilance when the Department of Homeland Security's color-coded national terror alert level was raised May 20 from "elevated," or yellow, to "high," or orange, the top domestic anti-terrorism official said today on Capitol Hill.

When the terror alert level went to orange, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge remarked in testimony before the House Homeland Security Select Committee, the amount of protection at federal government buildings and facilities nationwide was enhanced and increased.

Illustrating the heightened alert status, news reports filed today cite the deployment of U.S. combat jets and air defense missiles in Washington as part of anti-terror exercises, as well as heightened security at stateside military installations.

These activities follow reports that a senior al Qaeda official purportedly issued an audiotape May 21 that encourages Muslims to kill Americans and Israelis in additional attacks.

Enhanced domestic anti-terror measures aren't being limited to the National Capitol region, Ridge said. He pointed



out to House Committee members that some major U.S. cities, including Los Angeles and New York, have adopted the federal terror alert system.

Some states have also adopted the federal terror alert system, Ridge said.

Consequently, "one of our biggest challenges, I think, as a country," Ridge said, "is to accept the notion that from time to time we want to give general information to the public" regarding the terror threat status in the U.S.

However, he said, the color-coded alert system is primarily a declaration to nationwide law enforcement and security organizations that "we want you to engage in either more or less enforcement and security activity."

Every day, U.S. intelligence officials gather and analyze terrorist threat information, Ridge said. Four times now, he pointed out, the aggregation and examination of such information from credible sources has caused the government to raise the terror alert status.

When analysts come across credible information suggesting a terrorist attack

on America is imminent, Ridge said, the President's Homeland Security Council is called together. That body is comprised of "quite a few members of the president's cabinet," the secretary said.

He attended such a meeting May 20, an occurrence that shortened his testimony before the House Homeland Security Select Committee, Ridge said.

Within 45 minutes of leaving Capitol Hill for the White House meeting Ridge and other Homeland Security Council members recommended to the president that the terror alert level be raised to high, he said.

The president concurred, and "accordingly, we went to 'orange,'" Ridge said.

Ridge pointed out that the information possessed by U.S. officials doesn't specify the exact "time, place and manner" of a potential terror attack on America.

The combination of current intelligence information, the recent terrorist attacks in Morocco and Saudi Arabia, and the release of the purported al Qaeda audiotape message convinced national leaders the terror alert level needed to be raised.

# Blue, silver AEFs get rotations back on track

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker

Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** -- The Air Force is establishing two transitional air and space expeditionary forces, blue and silver, to put the deployment schedule back on track by March 2004 and to bring home deployed airmen as quickly as possible.

"We envision these two 120-day rotations filling the requirements of combatant commanders through spring when we can once again implement the normal steady-state AEF rotation," said Maj. Gen. Timothy A. Peppe, special assistant for AEF matters at the Pentagon. "Additionally, we can expect some aircraft, aircrew and associated maintenance rotations outside these two transitional AEFs as we attempt to get them back to the normal schedule next spring."

The blue AEF will be on call to fulfill mission requirements between July and November, Peppe said. Silver will be on call from November through March.

"The magnitude of the various combatant commanders' continuing requirements throughout the world will dictate the number of airmen that we will have to deploy," he said.

According to the general, airmen in AEFs 9/10 and 1/2 who were identified to support Operation Iraqi Freedom but did not deploy will likely be the most vulnerable to deploy with the blue or silver AEFs.

"Ideally, as we go through the process (of matching people to these AEFs), those that have been home the longest from a previous deployment will be matched to deploy first," he said. "There may be some exceptions but I certainly hope not many. We will start with AEFs 9/10 and reach forward, as needed, to fill requirements."

Airmen selected to support the blue AEF can expect to be notified of their deployment vulnerability over the next few weeks, he said.

"Most of the major command deployment taskings will be made by June 10 and airmen should receive their notifications soon after," he said. "However, if a (major command) cannot fill a particular tasking, the AEF Center (at Langley Air Force Base, Va.) will have to source it to another (major command), which may delay some individual notifications."

These transitional AEFs will allow the Air Force to get currently deployed airmen back home to their families, he said.

The combatant commanders are already releasing forces that were deployed, but those forces may need to remain in theater until the Air Force can fill those requirements and get enough assets in theater to bring them home, he explained.

"We would like to rotate people home more quickly but the bottom line is that it takes time to make this happen," Peppe said. "But we are working the issue as hard

and as fast as we can."

"Airmen need to understand that the AEF is operating 'as advertised,'" he said. "It was designed, from the start, to 'flex,' as necessary, to meet the widest range of combatant commander requirements. A transition period like the one we are experiencing now is normal as we move from one AEF operating environment -- crisis action -- to another -- steady state."

"Since it's beginning, I think the AEF has been a great success," he said. "I don't believe it was ever designed to handle a situation the size of the one we just had but I think it worked well. We were able to use it to timely ... identify people to meet the combatant commanders' requirements."

The Air Force was initially tasked to deploy approximately 120,000 active-duty, Guard and Reserve airmen, nearly a quarter of the service's military people, to support operations in Iraq, Peppe said.

"However, we only needed to deploy approximately 50,000," he explained. "That feat is a testament to the awesome work of our people and the AEF that was flexible enough to adapt to mission requirements and fill them as needed."

Although Air Force leaders want airmen to be reunited with their families as quickly as possible, the service still must meet the needs of the combatant commanders to continue supporting operations throughout the world, he said.

## Redployment 'disparity' actually case of differing missions

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott

Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** -- While many deployed airmen are returning from Operation Iraqi Freedom to hero's welcomes, others deployed for as much as three times longer are still waiting to hear when they will go home.

What appears to some as an obvious disparity is actually a case of differing mission objectives, said the general in charge of air and space expeditionary force policy.

"The issue is, 'What job were these people sent to do,'" said Maj. Gen. Timothy A. Peppe, special assistant for AEF matters at the Pentagon. "Some of the people in OIF are already home because that operation went so well and so quickly that the combatant commander was able to release them.

"There is a difference for Operation Enduring Freedom folks. Those people are filling a requirement that hasn't

changed. They will rotate when the Air Force has the combatant commanders' requirements worldwide and develops the rotation to support them."

Besides manning requirements for OEF and OIF, a recent increase in Pacific Air Forces further strained the AEF rotation schedule. On top of that, Peppe said, the service is obligated to provide about 1,700 people to augment the staffs of component and combatant commanders worldwide.

"It's not just the people in Afghanistan," Peppe said. "Anyone the AEF supports will be caught up in this."

The Air Force uses the AEF's standard three-month rotation plan to bring deployment predictability to airmen and their families, but the operational demands of OIF and other requirements forced the service to break out of that mold. The plan is for the AEF deployment schedule to be back on track by early 2004, Peppe said.

To achieve that goal, the Air Force

plans to piece together two transitional AEFs to meet deployment combatant commanders' needs into 2004. Manning for these two AEFs will come from the ranks of those who have not deployed this cycle.

"We'll have to find 'green' unit type codes that are properly manned and equipped," Peppe said. "The AEF Center (at Langley Air Force Base, Va.) will work with the (major commands) to identify the personnel and equipment (that are) ready to deploy.

"Everyone who did not deploy needs to be on notice that we may need them to be a part of this rotation, or the next, as we get back to a more normal AEF rhythm," he said.

The numbers of people and types of equipment making up the new AEFs have yet to be determined by combatant commanders. The Air Force's goal is to have new mission requirements defined by the middle of May, Peppe said.

"The effort to define the requirements

is ongoing, and we hope to wrap that up soon, because from the time requirements are set and the rotation begins is going to take 45 to 60 days," Peppe said.

As vital as the new mission requirements are to the rotation schedule, the general said patience is just as important.

"We can't send 100 aircraft over there to rotate everyone out at once," he said. "There are only so many aircraft available to do that type of work, so some people will rotate on day one, and some will rotate on day 15."

It is also important deployed airmen know they are not forgotten, Peppe said.

"There is nobody who wants to bring the troops home and start a rotation any more than the secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force chief of staff," he said. "They are acutely aware that those people have been frozen in place, and that some have been there six months or longer.

"We want to get on with the rotation," Peppe said, "but there is a mission at hand, and we will support that mission."

# Briefs

## This week in flying

**May 30, 1932** - New distance and duration record set for balloons of 35,000 cubic feet.

**May 31, 1941** - Maj. Gen. George H. Brett appointed Chief of Air Corps.

**June 1, 1967** - First non-stop trans-Atlantic helicopter flight; two HH-3Es flew from New York to Paris.

**June 2, 1995** - Two B-1Bs from Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, set three speed records on an around-the-world flight.

**June 3, 1959** - Graduation day for the first U.S. Air Force Academy class.

**June 4, 1965** - Majors McDivitt and White set a U.S. space endurance record of 97 hours and 30 seconds.

**June 5, 1920** - An appropriation bill limited air service to land bases.

*(Compiled by the USAF Museum System)*

If you are eligible to cross train and are interested in the Historian career field, call the wing History Office at 747-6937 for details.

## OPSEC tip

As a family member of the Air Force community, you are a vital player in our success, and we couldn't do our job without your support.

You may not know it, but you also play a crucial role in protecting your loved ones just by what you know of the Air Force's day-to-day operations.

You can protect your loved ones by practicing good operations security, better known as OPSEC.

For details on Operational Security, call 1st Lt. Carrie Kilareski at 747-4505.

## ARC picnic

The Assocation for Retarded Citizens is holding a free inter-agency picnic for physically and mentally handicapped citizens and interested volunteers at Riverside Park in Grand Forks from 5 to 8:30 p.m. June 19.

Volunteers are needed for setting up and cooking.

The picnic begins at 5 p.m., and participants are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair. There will be hayrides from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and music from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

For questions, or to volunteer, call 772-6191 locally, or 1-877-250-2022.

## Furniture drive

There is a basewide Airman's Attic spring furniture drive scheduled for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 7.

The Airman's Attic is looking for donated sofas and chairs.

To donate, call 747-3241 by close of business June 6 to schedule a furniture pick-up time.

For details, call the Family Support Center at 747-3241.

## End of school year picnic

This year's youth center picnic will be held at the youth center's ball fields today.

Due to resurfacing of the parking area, the picnic has been moved from the Liberty Square pavilion area.

Also, Liberty Square will be closed today.

The schedule of events will be the same, beginning with the free picnic at 11 a.m.

There will also be an America's kid's run from 1 to 2 p.m., carnival activities from 1 to 4 p.m., a track and field contest from 2 to 3:30 p.m., and a staff "pie-in-the-face" contest at 3:45 p.m.

For details, call the youth center at 747-3150.

## Volunteers needed

Habitat for Humanity needs volunteer help in its mission to provide simple, decent, affordable homes in partnership with low-income families in the community.

Skilled or semi-skilled volunteers are desired, and tools are provided.

Volunteers are also needed for fundraising and as committee members.

Those positions include family selection committee, family nurturing committee, fund raising committee, construction committee, finance committee, site selection committee, public relations committee, legal affairs committee, church relations committee, inventory specialists and safety coordinators.

Construction meetings are held every Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m., as well as evenings and Sundays, at 711 N. Washington St., Grand Forks, in the basement of the building.

For details, call Ms. Donna Stumphf at 1-218-791-1010.

# Assume the worst, slow down in motor vehicles

By Lt. Col. Sean K. Carey  
319th Air Refueling Wing Chief of Safety

This year, the 101 Critical Days of Summer has special significance to the Warriors of the North. A large contingent of our folks have just returned from our war to free Iraq from a repressive regime, and we're in a period of much needed reconstitution.

We can take immense satisfaction from and pride in the direct impact we've made to our nation's security.

This couldn't happen at a better time of year for us. Summer and all it has to offer is upon us. Everyone can take advantage of the sunny days, ice-free lakes and clear roads.

While there is increased opportunity for recreational activities, there is also increased risk to you and your loved ones during this period.

For my message, I'd like to concentrate on our number one killer of Air Force personnel...vehicle accidents.

The risk you take on the road is real and unfortunately, too prevalent.

What are the leading factors involved in vehicle accidents? Driving under the influence of alcohol, driving too fast for the road conditions, and driving during periods of darkness are the top three. Combine any of them, and you've got a recipe for disaster.

Commanders and supervisors have tirelessly addressed the need for you to stay sober when driving and the ramifications of getting caught driving under the influence of alcohol. You may be responsible with regards to alcohol use and driving, but what about the other person on the road?

In the absence of any other information, I'd advise you to assume the worst, slow down and give them wide berth.

Give yourself an edge in reacting to any foolish actions they may take out on the road. That edge may just save you and your passengers lives.



As for traveling at night, I can only make you aware of this leading factor in vehicle accidents and ask you to assess your ability to react to hazards during periods of decreased visibility. Increased vigilance and slowing down can help you react to any hazards that may pop up, like a deer crossing in front of you on Highway 2.

I hope you take full advantage of what the summer months have to offer in Grand Forks and elsewhere while on leave. However, please don't push yourself beyond your ability to control risks that are inherent to summer time activities, especially when it comes to operating a motor vehicle.

Simply put, evaluate your risks, take action to control risks and accept no unnecessary risk. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

# Motorcycle operator deaths on rise

By Mr. Gary Johnson  
319th Air Refueling Wing  
Ground safety manager

The New York Times recently reported that motorcycle deaths have risen nearly 60 percent in the last five years and have hit their highest levels in more than a decade.

Motorcycle deaths rose from an estimated 21 per 100 million vehicle miles to 33.4 in 2001. Meanwhile, the death rates for operators and passengers in automobiles and trucks has been



steadily declining to a rate of just 1.3 deaths per 100 million vehicle miles.

Although no comprehensive studies of motorcycle deaths have been conducted since the 1970s, declines in the number of states that require riders to wear helmets is suspected to be a leading cause. In 1975, forty seven states required motorcycle riders to wear helmets. Today that number has dropped to 20.

In 1995, congress stopped threatening to withhold federal funding from states without mandatory helmet laws. Since then, five states with mandatory helmet laws – Florida, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana and Kentucky weakened their laws, leaving only 20 states with mandatory helmets for all riders.

The median age of riders has also risen along with the death toll.

Baby boomers have started or returned to riding and are responsible for the rise in the median age for riders increasing from 24 in the 1970s to 38 today.

The horsepower of motorcycles has increased over the years and one company is even considering marketing a small number of

motorcycles capable of a top speed of 300 miles an hour.

Mrs. Jane Stutt, an epidemiologist at the University of North Carolina who has studied motorcycle safety stated, "There's been any number of studies that have looked at states that have repealed helmet laws, and the number of injured motorcyclists skyrockets."

States such as California, a leader in both mandatory helmet laws and hands-on rider education, have cut motorcycle

rider fatalities by more than 50 percent since these two initiatives took effect.

Others meanwhile, claiming to be advocates of freedom of choice, still pursue their futile attempts to convince others that helmets cause mishaps by restricting vision and hearing.

Being a former "rider," I have my own more pragmatic philosophy:

If you ride, it's not a matter of "if" you will go down, it's a matter of "when."

Motorcyclist fatalities by year and helmet use						
Year	Helmet Use					
	Not Used		Used		Unknown	Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number-Percent	
1990	788	54	579	39	102 7	1,469
1991	690	54	519	40	76 6	1,285
1992	513	46	542	49	59 5	1,114
1993	484	45	525	49	60 6	1,069
1994	474	47	494	49	42 4	1,010
1995	450	47	477	50	33 3	960
1996	436	47	470	50	31 3	937
1997	424	45	481	51	32 3	937
1998	497	48	503	48	42 4	1,042
1999	544	48	555	49	41 4	1,140

Source: National Center for Statistics and Analysis, NHTSA, FARS 1990-1999

# ORM

## Proper risk assessments guarantee on-, off-duty safety, enjoyment

**Capt. Brian Oswalt**  
ORM program manager

Summer means heading outdoors and enjoying the many activities not available during the other times of the year, especially here in North Dakota. Some of these activities include but aren't limited to camping, swimming, softball, grilling, etc. All summer activities are meant in some way to be fun, and some are just the annual things we all do during this time of year. Unfortunately, every activity we are involved in has some type of risk associated with it. Some of these risks are obvious, while others are transparent, or just never identified. This is why Operational Risk Management (ORM) is important off-duty, as well as at work. Conducting a proper risk assessment before we venture out will guarantee a safe and enjoyable time.

Each year the period from the first weekend before Memorial Day through Labor Day is designated as the "101 Critical Days of Summer" and safety campaigns are launched throughout the Air Force. This period is identified as "Critical" due to the historically sharp rise in injuries and fatalities sustained by Air Force members resulting from off-duty activities. With all of the safety information available today, why do off-duty accidents still occur every summer? One of the answers is because Air Force members have not embraced ORM and realized its full potential. ORM is a great tool that can identify, assess, and control risk, at the earliest and simplest levels.

ORM has four key principles:

1. Accept no unnecessary risks.
2. Make risk decisions at the appropriate level.
3. Accept risks when benefits outweigh costs.
4. Integrate ORM into doctrine and planning at all levels.

These four principles can easily be used by everyone to ensure that safe summer we all hope for. First, taking no unnecessary risks is simply detecting risks, and then accepting, reducing, or eliminating them. There is always risk involved . . . how that risk is accepted is up to you. Secondly, making risk decisions at the appropriate level is done at work with our chain of command. When off-duty, risk decisions are made by you. You, the Air Force member, are the only one responsible for making those risk decisions. Third, accepting risks when benefits outweigh costs. Is there ever a time when fun is worth the risk of being hurt, or even worse, death? You have to make that decision, but I think most people agree that if we can avoid something that is likely going to cause an accident, we will avoid it. Risk assessment is a great tool to determine when and if benefits outweigh costs. Inherently, everything we are going to do this summer has some risk. Assessing the probability and determining the severity if something

was to happen is your way of determining when to accept risk. Finally integrating ORM into doctrine and planning at all levels. Air Force leadership expects and commands all personnel to use ORM on and off-duty. By incorporating ORM in everything you do, you will have integrated your portion of ORM into all possible levels.

This summer as part of the 101 Critical Days of Summer, we implore you to use ORM. A simple way to do this is the ACT principle, which is a three-step process. A is for assessing the environment. While you are having fun, be aware of your surroundings and consider what could go wrong and what the chances are of that going wrong. C is for considering options to limit

risk. What can you do to prevent an accident, or what is the worthiness of accepting a risk? And finally T is for taking the appropriate action. Only you can determine what that action is. Take preventative action when necessary, and if your action controlled the risk, or if it did not, spread the word and let others learn from your experience.

This time of year should be spent having fun and enjoying the moments with friends and family. Whatever you do this summer, remember it is your responsibility to keep yourself, and those around you safe. Hopefully by applying ORM at all times, we will be able to make this summer mishap free for you, your loved ones, and coworkers.

### On-duty ORM

Always Ask		Likelihood Something Can Go Wrong ?				
		Frequent	Likely	Occasional	Seldom	Unlikely
What Would Be The Impact ?	Catastrophic					
	Critical					
	Moderate					
	Negligible					
Who's Decision ?						GP/CC
						SQ/CC
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## Commentary



*Photo by Senior Airman Joshua G. Moshier*

**A tractor pulling farm machinery travels down a minimum maintenance road.**

# Give right of way to farm machinery

**By Mr. Gary Johnson**

Ground safety manager

Summer is upon us and along with an increase in temperature will come an increase in farm vehicles upon the roadway. Whether or not you have witnessed first hand the excitement of meeting an 80-foot batwing cultivator on a two lane rural road, it is always a daunting experience. Wondering whether or not those folded cultivator wings will remain up and imagining the aftermath if they don't always causes a chill to run up my spine.

Cultivator, tractor, combine, grain drill or rake, the one thing that all of these pieces of farm machinery have in common is they all have the right-of-way on North Dakota roadways. This includes all roadways, even the interstate highways such as highway 2 or 29.

While most machinery is equipped with lights, at times these beacons may become mud covered and dim. Likewise, most farm machinery is equipped with a reflective triangle on the rear to warn motorists approaching from that direction. Unfortunately, like inoperable lights, these reflectors do fall off occasionally and approaching a darkened piece of farm machinery from the rear at night at high speed can have devastating consequences.

Here are a few tips for avoiding a collision with farm machinery during the time from planting to harvest:

- ☐ Expect the unexpected on rural roads with field entrances and reduce your speed.
- ☐ Slow way down for blind areas such as shelter belts bordering fields. Many times, this is where field and farm entrances are located.
- ☐ If you see a large piece of machinery approaching you on a 2 lane road, pull off to the side as far as possible and allow it to pass.
- ☐ Remember that farmers are generally a courteous lot and sometimes when making left turns they will move into the left lane long before their turn. Make sure the operator sees you before attempting to pass.
- ☐ Slow down when approaching farm machinery from either direction. Remember that the operator may just have come from a muddy field and his tires may be throwing off mud and rocks.

Remember that there will be an increase in the amount of mud, rocks, and other debris on the roadways and this debris can cause you to lose control of your own vehicle.

# What you can't see can hurt you

**By Mr. Gary Johnson**  
Ground safety manager

For many, warming temperatures awaken a pioneer spirit and thoughts shift to planning outdoor activities. This is especially true if you live in Northern climes where below zero temperatures or heavy snowfall may tend to keep you cabin bound for half of the year. Your plans may include, camping, hiking, fishing, picnicking, and later on, hunting. Although this is “just another safety article” I believe you’ll find the contents interesting so please take the time to read on.

I do not intend to rehash what you already know about Summer safety by writing about how to barbecue or bicycle safely, but to introduce you to some of the unseen dangers you may encounter in your treks through the wilds of this continent. Dangers so small that you can't see them with your naked eyes but just as deadly as any you'll encounter in your lifetime. So, what am I talking about?

Giardia Lamblia, Tularemia, Hanta Virus, Plague, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Hepatitis, and Rabies; to name just a few of the hundreds of bacteria, viruses, and organisms that can and do infect hunters, fisherman, campers, hikers, and travelers here in the “good ol' US of A.” I'm sure that many of you recognize Rabies, Hepatitis, Plague and maybe even the highly publicized Hanta Virus and Lyme Disease but what about the others? Maybe their more common names will spark your memory; Beaver Fever (Giardia Lamblia), and Rabbit Fever (Tularemia). Still at a loss? Read on.

## Beaver Fever

According to Opflow (a publication of the American Water Works Association), Beaver Fever “is the most common disease-causing intestinal parasite in the United States.” This strong-willed micro-bug can thrive in a wide temperature range in nature and fends off typical chlorination and filtration procedures. The parasite enters the water supply through the feces of a host and while many animals can serve as host, the main culprit is thought to be the Beaver. Symptoms include severe diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, and fatigue and may mimic a peptic ulcer or gall bladder disease. Symptoms usually appear from 5 to 25 days after exposure.

Prevention methods include an old saying (rule) that goes like this: “Never drink directly from water that flows where man or beast goes and never assume they haven't.” This of course is referring to creeks, rivers, lakes, ponds and other free flowing/free standing bodies of water that animals and a few morons use for a toilet. Other effective methods include boiling drinking water or purchasing Giardia approved water filtration devices. Some purification tablets that uti-

lize Iodine are effective too but you may wish to take some pre-sweetened Cool Aid to improve the taste of the treated water. Treatment with an oral medication called Flagyl (metronidazole) is usually effective for adults. For the very young (under 5 years) Furoxone (furazolidone) is prescribed. One thing to remember, Giardiasis can be transmitted from one person to another, especially if the infection involves a young child, infant, or handicapped person who requires assistance controlling an active case of diarrhea.

## Rabbit Fever

Tularemia is a disease caused by a bacteria, Francisella tularensis, which can affect both animals and humans. Most cases occur during the summer months when deerflies and ticks are in abundance and in the early winter months during rabbit hunting season. Tularemia is contracted by the bite of an infected blood-sucking insect such as a tick or deerfly. It can also be contracted by getting blood or tissue from an infected animal into your eyes, mouth, or openings in your skin such as cuts and scratches. Another way of contracting the disease is by eating rabbit meat that has not been cooked well. Rabbit Fever is not communicable.

Symptoms of Rabbit Fever include fever, chills, headaches, muscle aches, chest pains, and coughing and usually appear within 3 to 5 days although it may appear in as little as 2 or as many as 10 days from infection. Antibiotics such as streptomycin gentamicin are effective in most cases but prevention is the best method. Wear insect repellent containing DEET when hunting. Wear surgeon's gloves when skinning rabbits, and cook wild rabbit meat thoroughly.

For you diehard outdoors' people that may be thinking “It's just like a case of the flu so what's the big deal?” consider this. While the symptoms associated with these diseases are not life threatening if, at the onset, you're home or near medical help, but what about if you're still in the woods? The severe diarrhea associated with Beaver Fever can quickly cause dehydration that can and does affect your ability to reach safety. Likewise, the headaches, muscle aches, chills, fever, and chest pain that are the symptoms of Tularemia can have the same effect.

## Three 'killers'

Let's go on to the “killers,” Hanta Virus, Plague, and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Of the three, Hanta Virus is the deadliest. Thirty five percent of people who contract Hanta Virus die! This little destroyer is contracted by contact with rodent droppings and urine, particularly those of the Deer Mouse. Most infections occur when people are exposed to these pathogens during cleaning chores in places

where Deer mice have been present. Sweeping an old cabin or shed, or shaking out an old rug or blanket can carry the particles into the air and into your lungs. Being bitten by a rodent carrying the disease, or drinking from a container that an infected rodent has visited are also routes of transmission. This disease is also wide spread with cases occurring in 30 of the 50 states. Symptoms are almost flu-like with fever, muscle aches and fatigue being common. Untreated, Hanta Virus is almost always fatal.

The Plague is very similar to the “Black Death” that wiped out one third of Europe during the middle ages and is transmitted by fleas that normally infest rodents such as mice, rats, and Prairie Dogs. Sporadic outbreaks of plague still occur today in the West and Southwestern United States. Symptoms include swollen or tender lymph glands and fever that appears within 1 to 6 days after exposure. The disease can progress to a generalized blood infection that can lead to pneumonia. People with pneumonia (pneumonic) plague may transmit the virus to others when coughing. Antibiotics have been used successfully to treat the disease.

The last and least lethal of the 3 “killers” listed here is Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Infection normally results from being bitten by an infected tick. Why it is called Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is anybody's guess since the disease usually occurs in the east, from New York to Florida and Alabama to Texas. April through September are the months of highest incidence but it can occur anytime during warm weather. Symptoms are fever, headache, rash, and nausea or vomiting and normally occur within 3 to 12 days after a tick bite. Left untreated, this disease can cause death. There is no vaccine!

The “bottom line” is simple; all of these diseases, given the right circumstances, can rob you of your life. So why take the chance? Use insect repellents with Deet to keep fleas, ticks, and other pests at bay. On an overnight hiking, camping, or hunting trip? Be sure to carry enough water or a water purifier rated for Giardia with you. Getting tired and you have a choice to pitch a tent or stay in an old shack? Pitch the tent! Carry a bar of soap and wash your hands frequently if water is available or alcohol swabs if the environment is dry. If you're hunting, carry some surgeon's gloves for skinning and always cook the meat thoroughly. Like your Grandparents used to say; An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Last but not least, if you don't feel well after a field trip go to your doctor and explain, in detail, where you've been and what you've been doing.

For more information on these and other diseases log on to: [www.medscoout.com/diseases/infections/index.htm](http://www.medscoout.com/diseases/infections/index.htm).

## B-B-B-Bad

The Air Force requires motorcycle riders to obey operational and protective equipment requirements, along with standards of conduct.

**Operational requirements:** Headlights must be on; vehicle must have rear-view mirrors.

**Required personal protective equipment:** Properly fastened protective helmet; properly worn eye-protective device; sturdy footwear; long-sleeved shirt or jacket; long-legged trousers; full-fingered gloves; brightly colored or contrasting vest or jacket as an upper garment during the day and a reflective garment during the night.

**Standards of conduct:** Obey the posted speed limits at all times; drive according to road and weather conditions; accomplish mandatory training; maintain proper bearing and behavior; never attempt to operate the motorcycle beyond your or its capabilities; never operate a vehicle while intoxicated and never let anyone ride your motorcycle who is not properly trained.



*Photos by Senior Airman Jathzed Fabara*



# Base chapel

## CATHOLIC:

**Mass:** 5 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. Sunday, Sunflower Chapel.  
**Daily Mass:** Tuesday through Friday 11:30 a.m. Sunflower Chapel.  
**Reconciliation:** 4 p.m. Saturday, or by appointment, Sunflower Chapel.

## PROTESTANT:

**Traditional worship:** 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sunflower Chapel.  
**Contemporary worship:** 6 p.m. Sunday, Prairie Rose Chapel.  
**Young Adults:** 6 p.m. Friday, Chaplain Swain’s home, 747-4359.  
**Men of the Chapel Bible Study:** Noon Monday, Prairie Rose Conference Room.  
**Men of the Chapel Breakfast:** 7:30 a.m. June 7, Plainesview Golf Course.

## JEWISH:

For details call Sheila Farquharson at 594-3960 or Synagogue B’nai Israel at 775-5124.

## RUSSIAN/EASTERN ORTHODOX:

For details call Dr.. Levitov 780-6540.

## MUSLIM, BUDDHIST, OTHER:

For details call 747-5673.

# Base theater

## Today, 7 p.m.

### *View from the Top (PG-13)*

A working-class woman (Gwyneth Paltrow) lands a job as a flight attendant, with her eye on moving up to international first-class attendant as a way to see the world. Christina Applegate, Kelly Preston, and Candice Bergen play current or former flight attendants, and Mike Myers has a cameo as a flight-school instructor.

## Saturday, 7 p.m.

### *Anger Management (PG-13)*

Dave Buznik (Adam Sandler) is a mild-mannered businessman sent to an anger-management program after an outburst on an airplane. Trouble is, the program's therapist (Jack Nicholson) is a wild, volatile nutcase whose own rage is clearly out of control. He's supposed to calm Dave, but instead he drives him crazy while turning his life upside down.

## Sunday, 7 p.m.

### *Malibu’s Most Wanted (PG-13)*

Malibu, Calif.'s Brad "B-Rad" Gluckman (Jaime Kennedy) is a struggling (and very white) rapper whose father (Ryan O'Neal) is running for governor. After some of B-Rad's would-be gangsta antics endanger the election bid, his father hires a couple of actors to portray South Central thugs and scare the "rap" out of B-Rad.

## June 6, 7 p.m.

### *Bulletproof Monk (PG-13)*

A Tibetan kung fu master (Chow Yun-Fat) who has spent his life protecting an ancient scroll that possesses unlimited power begins to look for his successor, a young protégé to become the next guardian. A cocky street punk (Seann William Scott) seems a dubious choice, but when he rescues the so-called "bulletproof monk" from danger, the two form an alliance to keep the scroll from falling into the wrong hands.

## June 7, 3 p.m.

### *Holes (PG)*

**Tickets:** \$1.50 children, \$3 adults  
For details, call 747-3021/6123.

## Honoring Native American women

# New exhibit opens at Women's Memorial

By Rudi Williams

American Forces Press Service

ARLINGTON, Va., May 27, 2003 – Army Spc. Lori Piestewa didn't move a mountain, but her death on the battlefield in Iraq touched a nation and changed a mountain's name.

"Squaw Peak," the Phoenix summit with a name that's offensive and controversial to some, is now "Piestewa Peak" – a hero's name.

Among other tributes to the fallen warrior, Piestewa and five others are featured in "Voices," a new exhibit that opened at the Women's Memorial on May 26 to honor and highlight the contributions of Native American women who serve in the armed forces.

A Hopi Indian, Piestewa was given special honors by tribal representatives from across the country because she was the first service woman killed in action in Operation Iraqi Freedom and the first known Native American service woman known to have been killed in combat.

The 23-year-old soldier from Tuba City, Ariz., died from injuries when her unit, the 507th Maintenance Company, was ambushed on March 23 near Nasiriyah, Iraq, by enemy forces in Iraq. She was promoted posthumously.

Her family and representatives from several nations and tribes – among them Hopi, Navajo, Oneida, Odawa, Chukchansi-Mono, Kumeyaay, and Lakota/Dakota — were here for the exhibit's unveiling ceremony.

In keeping with Native American heritage and culture, the tribes showered the Piestewas with gifts – blankets, shadow boxes, paintings and eagle feathers.

For example, Vice Chairman Aaron Jones and council members Rob Castro and Craig Martinez from the Table Mountain Rancheria Chukchansi-Mono tribe, presented the Piestewa family four blankets representing life, love, strength and knowledge and reason.

Piestewa's brother, Adam, told the large audience that on Memorial Day everyone should remember and salute all men and women of the armed services and their families "for their tireless

efforts and willingness to sacrifice all they have to give in the name of America."

"We remember those innocent souls whose lives were not lost in vain on the morning of Sept. 11th," Piestewa said. "We honor the warriors who have throughout history laid down their lives for their fellow man and preserved the God given right to freedom."

For Hopi tribe chairman Wayne Taylor Jr., Memorial Day has always been set aside as a time to honor fallen veterans. "But it should also be a time to honor all veterans, male, female, reserve, active duty, Hopi, Hispanic, Asian, Caucasian and African-American," he noted. "It should be a time to reflect and be grateful for the few who valiantly defend what we have grown accustomed to.

"It should not be limited to this day, or times of conflict and war, but it should be recognized and observed in some fashion every day," Taylor said. "We need to be daily reminded that it is the contribution of our veterans which gives us the opportunity to live freely."

Taylor said after Lori Piestewa was killed in action, the most frequently asked question on the Hopi reservation was: "Why did Lori join the Army?"

"Many have speculated and derived their own answers," Taylor noted. "Perhaps it was because she followed in the legacy of those before her – her father, a Vietnam veteran, and her grandfather, a World War II veteran.

"Maybe it was because of early ROTC involvement," he said. "Only Lori could give us the answer. Whatever the reason, the question should not be why did she, but rather, why is it strange for her not to?"

The tribal chairman said Piestewa and the other five veterans being honored, as well as many other Native American women who enlist in the armed forces, "joined because of one reason that unites us all: They were Americans," Taylor said, "Americans who simply answered the call of duty. And we are grateful to them and to all of those who continue to do so."



Photo by Rudi Williams

**Army Spc. Lori Piestewa's parents, Terry Piestewa, left, and Priscilla "Percy" Piestewa, are consoled by Daniel McIntyre, chief executive officer, Triwest Health Care, after the unveiling of the exhibit honoring Native American women May 26 at the Women's Memorial in Arlington, Va. Lori was killed during Operation Iraqi Freedom.**

Taylor pointed out that only 111 of the hundreds of Native American women veterans have registered at the Women's Memorial. "I would like to encourage our Native American women veterans to register and be counted for your contribution to this country," Taylor said.

Eagle feathers have long been the symbol of bravery, love, honor, friendship and mystical powers. And that's just what Oneida Indian Daniel King, president of the Wisconsin Indian Veterans Association, presented the family along with a shadow box.

Before making the presentation, King said, "We may indeed put Pfc. Lori Piestewa to rest, but her example of warriorism, her response to the call, her courageous example of honor in the

face of horror, brings honor to us all."

King said Piestewa will be mentioned in the annals of Indian heroes throughout the course of time. And it's well deserved.

"There is an old warrior saying: 'When you adorn yourself with the implements of war, you are ready to kill. It is only right then, you must be prepared to die as well,'" King noted. "As Indian people, we know how to face war, we know how to sacrifice, we know how to honor, we know courage. We know how to remember."

The exhibit will remain at the Women's Memorial through November, American Indian Heritage Month. The memorial is the nation's only major memorial honoring all service women — past, present and future.

# 101 Critical Days of Summer

# The Choice is Yours!

By P.S. Harris  
Air Mobility Command's Magazine  
The Mobility Forum

If you had the chance to save the life of your buddy by turning down a few extra beers at a party, would you?

If you had the chance to save your child by taking just 15 extra minutes before leaving for vacation, would you do it?

If you had the chance to save your own life by postponing that phone call just ten minutes, would the trade seem a bargain?

“Of course,” you say with certainty. “Anyone would!”

Yet each summer, someone neglects to take an extra 15 minutes to make certain they have the proper safety equipment (flotation devices, first aid kit, sun screen, sunglasses, etc.), and review safety rules with their family before leaving on summer vacation. Each summer, someone allows themselves or others to drink excessively at summer parties and then attempts to drive home. Each summer, someone gets distracted while driving by making a cell phone call, which could easily be postponed. And each summer, someone decides the speed limit doesn't apply to him or her and drives faster than the vehicle or the oncoming driver can handle.

Each year the period from the first weekend before Memorial Day through Labor Day is designated as the “101

Critical Days of Summer” and safety campaigns are launched throughout the Air Force. The “Critical Days” campaign began in the early 1970s as a way to reduce the large number of Air Force off-duty fatalities in the summer months. The campaign was largely successful in the 1990s. Air Force statistics show that fatalities in off-duty mishaps in 1999 had been reduced to 15, down from 46 in 1988. However, the number began to rise again in 2000 and was back up to 28 in 2002. The greatest number of mishaps involves motor vehicle use. Thirteen of the 19 fatalities in 2000 were related to private motor vehicles. The vast majority of those motor vehicle accidents are related to “human factors.” In other words, they were preventable. The second biggest killer, according to the Air Force, was open water mishaps. Nine Air Force members died in drowning incidents in fiscal year 1998. Again, most of those accidents were preventable.

Why, with all of the safety information available today, do off-duty accidents still continue to occur every summer? For most of us, the reason may be because we simply don't believe that the accidents will happen to us... that the child that dies while swimming will not be our child... that the friend that dies while driving drunk will not be our friend because OUR friend can handle the drinking... and that the one little phone call will not hurt because we have always

been able to handle driving distractions. Yet, each time we do any of these activities without taking safety precautions, we increase the chances that next time it WILL be OUR child, OUR friend, or ourselves.

This year, remember that safety is a personal responsibility. It is up to YOU to take responsibility for the safety of your family, your friends and yourself.

This year, when you and your family drive, make it your responsibility to:

- ▶ Slow down! It is better to arrive late than not to arrive at all!

- ▶ Buckle up! Wearing seat belts is one of the best things you can do to ensure the safety of your family.

- ▶ Pay attention! You have a much better chance of avoiding an accident if you can anticipate problems in time to take action.

- ▶ Look carefully for oncoming traffic when pulling into a street from an alley, street or driveway.

- ▶ Check for traffic in the passing lane before pulling out to pass.

- ▶ Look back for oncoming cars before pulling out of a parking space.

- ▶ Take proper evasive action. Don't pump the brakes of an ABS system. Don't over-correct steering when attempting to avoid an accident.

- ▶ Make sure there are no distractions when you drive. Pull to the side of the road to make a cell phone call or to find and change tapes, compact discs or radio stations.

- ▶ Make sure you don't assume the other driver knows what you are doing or what he himself is doing.

This year, when you and your family head for the water, make it your responsibility to:

- ▶ Make sure neither you nor a family member swims alone. Always make sure you swim with a buddy and swim in a controlled area that is monitored by a lifeguard.

- ▶ Check the water before

diving for other swimmers or hidden obstacles.

- ▶ Know your swimming ability and that of your family. Don't swim in waters that have a current that is stronger than your ability to swim. If in doubt, don't swim in the area!

- ▶ Use the 50-50-50 rule. You have a 50 percent chance of swimming 50 yards in 50 degree water.

- ▶ Check the weather if you are boating and remain alert for changing weather conditions.

- ▶ Always have one personal flotation device for each person on your boat... and wear it!

- ▶ Make sure your boat is not overloaded. Know the limitations of your boat!

- ▶ Make sure you have the proper safety equipment aboard, including a fully-stocked first aid kit.

- ▶ Attend a Coast Guard-approved boater safety course and follow the rules you learn.

- ▶ Always let a responsible person know where you are going and when you will return.

Whatever activity you undertake this summer, remember it is your responsibility to keep yourself and your family safe. This summer, think about what you could lose – the life of a member of your family, the life of a friend or your own life. It is your choice!



## Out-of-town safety tips

This year, if your family is going out of town on vacation and you are planning to stay at a motel or hotel, make it your responsibility to:

- ▶ Not travel into unfamiliar areas alone, especially at night.
- ▶ Make sure your motel or hotel has a sprinkler system.
- ▶ Stay in a hotel room near exits on the lower floors.
- ▶ Make sure you stay in a room which has windows that open and lock, and doors that have deadbolt locks and peepholes which allow you to verify visitors before you open a door.
- ▶ Know the fire escape route.
- ▶ Enter by the entrance that has the best lighting (usually the main lobby).

# Be a smart motorist

## Cell phones, driving a prescription for disaster

With cellular phone popularity reaching new heights, more and more drivers are using their commute time to conduct business and personal affairs on their cell phones. American motorists spend substantial amounts of their day in automobiles, vans, trucks, and buses. It is not surprising that people will attempt to optimize their time in the vehicle by using phone and computers.

On the surface it looks like a great way to make use of the time, but there is a dark side: Dialing, discussing and doing deals all affect your ability to properly respond to typical road hazards — let alone challenging driving situations. By linking cellular communications with fax machines and laptop computers, it is now possible to receive and transmit faxes, receive and send e-mail, and, in fact, “surf the net” from within a vehicle. While the true extent of such usage is unknown, anecdotal information suggests that it is more common than might be expected, given the potential safety implications.

Whenever you're driving a vehicle and your attention is not on the road, you're putting yourself, your passengers, other vehicles, and pedestrians in danger. Stressful or heated conversations, especially those involving relationships, contribute to driver distraction. When combined with a cell-phone call, the combination can be

deadly. There's also a difference between driving while talking on the phone and driving while chatting with a passenger. Passengers in the car often alert drivers to dangerous situations, in sharp contrast to cell phone callers who are oblivious to a driver's surroundings.

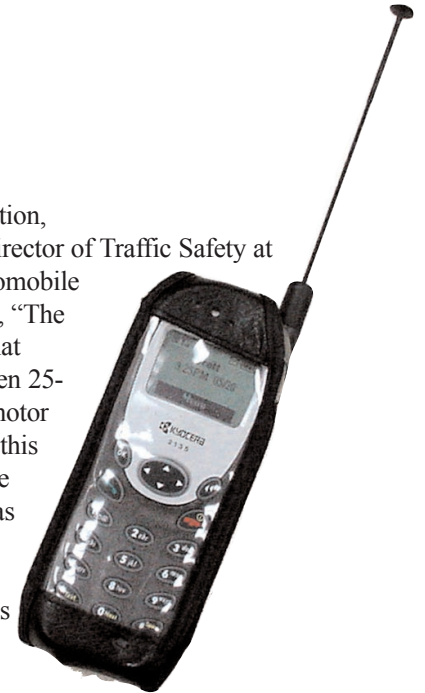
Talking on the phone has become a way of life for millions of auto-bound Americans. More than 85 percent of the 100 million+ cell-phone subscribers regularly talk on the phone while driving, says a survey by Prevention magazine. A 1997 study by the New England Journal of Medicine found that drivers who talk on a cell phone are four times more likely to be in an accident than drivers who don't. Drivers throughout the country report seeing distracted drivers talking on cell phones as they drift into other lanes or run through red lights or stop signs. In some cases, the results have been fatal. Newer phones address some of these problems. Recent developments in cell phone technology include voice-activated dialing, built-in phones, headsets, and speaker phones; all can help drivers concentrate on the roadway.

A late 1970s Indiana University study of “pre-crash factors involved in traffic accidents” identified driver inattention as the leading cause of automobile accidents. On a recent CNN “Talkback Live” program that dealt

with driver distraction, Mark Edwards, Director of Traffic Safety at the American Automobile Association stated, “The research tells us that somewhere between 25-50 percent of all motor vehicle crashes in this country really have driver distraction as their root cause.”

Sensing that driver distraction is on the increase, NHTSA recently opened the 60-million-dollar National Advanced Driving Simulator (NADS) at the University of Iowa. The NADS tests the distraction levels of drivers confronted with in-car electronic devices such as computers, navigation systems, and cellular phones. The unit can also be used for studying aggressive driving, driver fatigue, headlight glare, and the effects of prescription drugs and alcohol. The NADS should provide great insight into the driving habits of mobile office users as well.

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A study carried out on a similar driving simulator at Aston University, Birmingham ( U.K.) for the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, measured how drivers adjust their driving to road conditions when interrupted by both hand-held and hands-free mobile phone calls. Drivers talking on the phone did not perform as well as those who weren't distracted by the phone calls. Even after hanging up the phone, the subjects' performance did not return to normal for several minutes. The study found that it is not so much the device itself that causes the problem but the degree to which a driver becomes involved with it.

### **If you must talk and drive:**

❑ Get to know your phone - and its features such as speed dial and redial. Carefully read your instruction manual and learn to take advantage of valuable features most phones offer including, automatic redial and memory dial-most phones can store up to 99 numbers in memory dial. Also, work to memorize the phone keypad so you can use the speed dial function without taking your attention off the road.

❑ Use hands free devices - Use a hands-free microphone while driving. Hundreds of hands-free wireless phone accessories are readily available. Whether you choose an installed mounted device

for your phone or a speaker phone accessory, make sure your phone is installed to get the best possible sound quality. Distraction potential can be minimized by ergonomically sound cellular phone designs.

❑ Position your phone within easy reach - Make sure you place your wireless phone within easy reach and where you can grab it without removing your eyes from the road. If you get an incoming call at an inconvenient time, let your voice mail answer it for you.

❑ Don't obstruct vehicle safety devices - The size and placement of hand-held cellular phone mounting brackets can sometimes interfere with vehicle safety equipment such as airbags. The devices may also contribute to driver injury by becoming projectiles during a crash. Keep these hazards in mind when deciding where to install your phone.

❑ Suspend conversation during hazardous conditions - Let the person you are speaking to know you are driving; if necessary, suspend the call in heavy traffic or hazardous weather conditions, without warning if necessary. Rain, sleet, snow and ice can be hazardous, but so is heavy traffic. As a driver, your first responsibility is to pay attention to the road.

❑ Pay attention to the road - Do not take notes or look up phone numbers while driving. If you are reading an address book or business card while driv-

ing a car, or writing a "to do" list, then you are not watching where you are going. It's common sense. Don't get caught in a dangerous situation because you are reading or writing and not paying attention to the road or nearby vehicles.

❑ Dial sensibly and assess the traffic - if possible, place calls when you are not moving or before pulling into traffic.

Try to plan your calls before you begin your trip, or attempt to coincide your calls with times you may be stopped at a stop sign, red light or otherwise stationary.

But, if you need to dial while driving, follow this simple tip-dial only a few numbers, check the road and your mirrors, then continue.

Today's phones offer automatic redial and can store up to 99 numbers in their memory allowing you to make a call by using two or three buttons.

❑ Do not engage in distracting conversations - Stressful or emotional conversations and driving do not mix-they are distracting and even dangerous when you are behind the wheel.

Make people you are talking with aware you are driving and if necessary, suspend phone conversations which have the potential to divert your attention from the road.

❑ Avoid long social calls - Keep conversations short and sweet. Develop ways to get free of long-winded friends and associates while on the road. Don't use the

cell phone for social visiting while you drive.

❑ Use your phone to call for help - Your wireless phone is one of the greatest tools you can own to protect yourself and your family in dangerous situations-with your phone at your side, help is only three numbers away.

Dial 9-1-1 it's a free call on your wireless phone. Use common sense and restraint when dialing Emergency service facilities as they can be overwhelmed when multiple calls are received for the same incident

❑ Use your phone to help others - Your wireless phone provides you a perfect opportunity to be a "good Samaritan" in your community. If you see an auto accident, crime in progress or other serious emergency where lives are in danger, call 9-1-1, as you would want others to do for you.

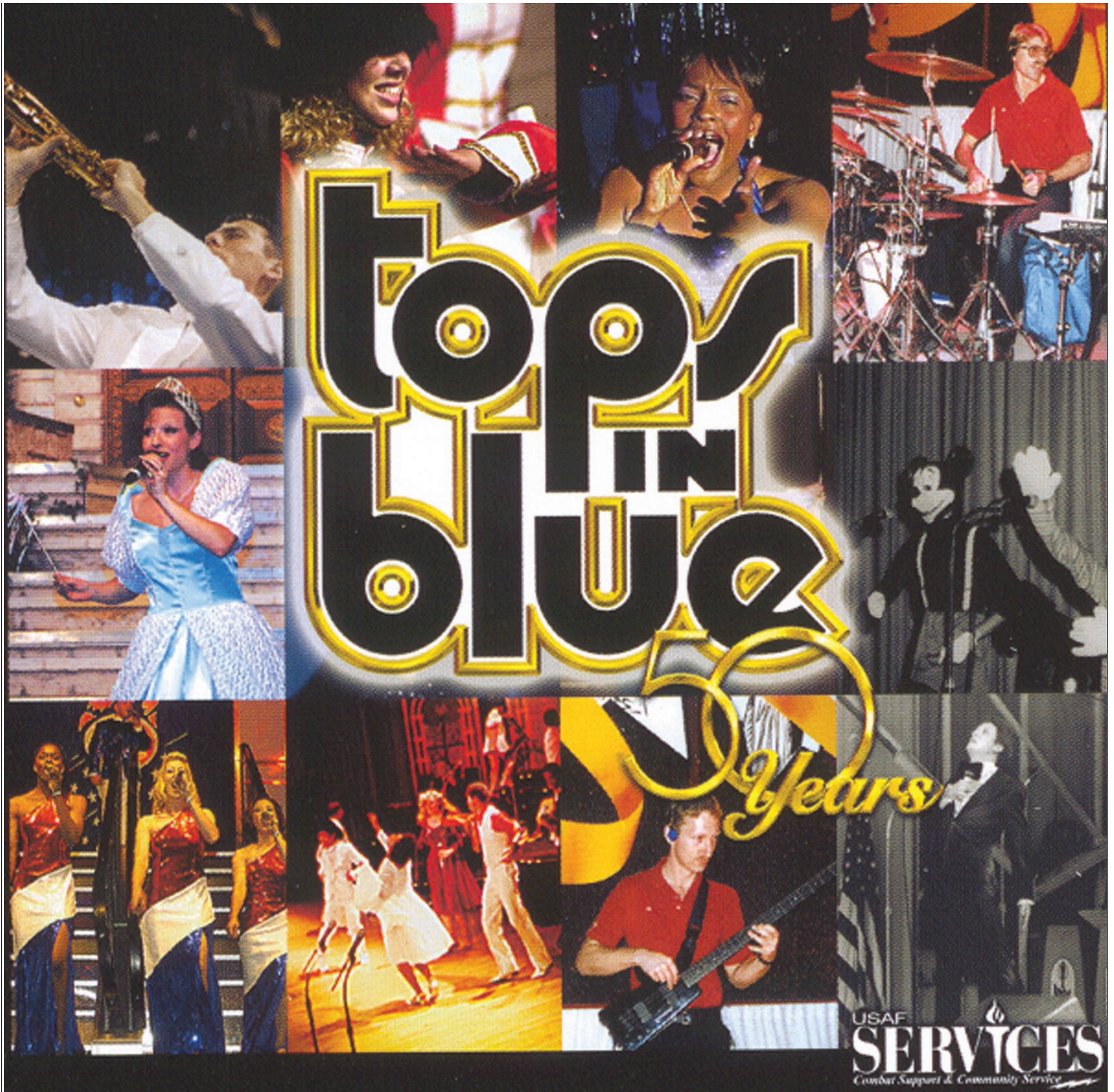
❑ Call roadside assistance when necessary - Call roadside assistance or a special wireless non-emergency assistance number when necessary.

Certain situations you encounter while driving may require attention, but are not urgent enough to merit a call to 9-1-1.

If you see a broken-down vehicle posing no serious hazard, a broken traffic signal, a minor traffic accident where no one appears injured, or a vehicle you know to be stolen, call roadside assistance or other special non-emergency wireless number.

# Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Alerus Center

\*Doors open at 6:30 p.m.



# Veterans thank those who led them to freedom

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN)** -- A Belgian woman risks her safety to help more than 130 airmen avoid capture by Germans.

A bombardier survives a crash landing with his crew behind enemy lines and escapes with help from members of the French Underground.

A tail gunner bails out of his badly damaged B-17 Flying Fortress and parachutes into a field on the French border where a young boy leads him and others to safe harbor.

These World War II survivors and others gathered recently near Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, to thank those who helped them escape capture, torture and possibly death. They exchanged hugs and memories, shared tears and renewed bonds at the Air Forces Escape and Evasion Society annual reunion in Wichita Falls.

The purpose of the AFEES is to encourage airmen aided by resistance organizations or patriotic nationals of foreign countries to continue friendships with those who helped them.

"Our organization perpetuates the close bond that exists between airmen forced down and the resistance people who made our evasion possible at great risk to themselves and their families," said Larry Grauerholz, editor of the quarterly AFEES Communications Journal and a B-17 navigator who evaded escape in France and crossed the Pyrenees Mountains into Spain.

"My mother performed many of the dangerous tasks. She was often out at night or escorting an airman down the streets of occupied Brussels," said

Yvonne Daley-Brusselmans. "My father's role was to keep the facade. He worked for weeks on a farm every year of the war to provide food for our family and the airmen we sheltered. He also had to cope with my mother putting herself, and sometimes my brother and I, in danger."

Those risks did not go unappreciated the Americans who remained out of enemy hands.

"I was issued an escape kit on every mission containing maps of France, French money, water purification tablets and a small compass," said Virgil Marco, the downed tail gunner. "I also had the desire not to become a (prisoner of war). I met some very nice French people who I kept in touch with. I was lucky to receive help soon after I parachuted."

AFEES has more than 600 "regular" members from most wars, primarily World War II. To be eligible for membership, a person must have been a United States airman and must have been forced down behind enemy lines. Members also must have either avoided captivity or escaped from captivity and returned to allied control.

"Helper" members are people who either directly aided the airmen or are family members of helpers.

For more information on AFEES, call Grauerholz at (940) 692-6700 or e-mail [afees44@hotmail.com](mailto:afees44@hotmail.com). (Courtesy of Air Education and Training Command News Service. Compiled by 2nd Lt. Ellen Harr, Airman 1st Class Pamela Lampert, Airman Jacque Lickteig, Mike McKito and Master Sgt. Jerry Taranto)

*Courtesy photo*  
**Julien and Anne Brusselmans (left) were reunited with Maj. Hank Sarnow, a downed airman who stayed with them for a month to avoid capture by the Germans in World War II. The three appeared on "This Is Your Life" in 1957, which was hosted by Eamon Andrews.**



# Hundreds of base members support Memorial Day

By Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol  
Public affairs

Whether it meant going to a small town in North Dakota or Minnesota, staying on base, or placing flags by graves in Sunnywood Memorial Gardens in Grand Forks, hundreds of Warriors of the North went the extra mile during Memorial Day Monday.

During the Grand Forks observance at Sunnywood alone, **Master Sgt. Tom Tezel**, 319th Medical Group first sergeant, served as the guest speaker; **Master Sgt. Scott Ross**, 319th Logistics Readiness Squadron, served as the master of ceremonies; **Chaplain (Maj.) Michael Moore**, 319th Air Refueling Wing chapel, was the chaplain for the ceremony; and nearly 110 warriors and their family members helped place flags on graves, said **John Hanson**, family support center work-life consultant and the North Dakota junior vice commander for the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"It was great -- even perfect," Hanson said. "Having so many people from the base volunteering and taking time out to support our Memorial Day observance freed up so many other veterans to participate in other things they wanted to do.

"Ever since 1997, base members have really taken on the responsibility of being a large part of the Grand Forks observance," Hanson said.

Across the river in East Grand Forks, **Col. Steve Wayne**, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander, was the featured guest speaker at their observance in Resurrection Cemetery, and the base honor guard had a team that included **Staff Sgt. Le Thuy Clegg**, **Airman 1st Class Argenis Sambois Finegan** and **Airmen Loranne Lemmon** and **Stephan Azab**, there to present the colors.

**Tech. Sgt. Ken Clere**, who helped coordinate the honor guard request to East Grand Forks as well as to Larimore, said supporting this effort was crucial.

"It's important to remember all of those who have served," Clere said. "This is our chance to give back to veterans for their efforts."

In Larimore, the team of **Master Sgt. Jerry Robinson**, **Tech. Sgt. Clere**, **Staff Sgts. Derick**

**Nieves** and **Shane Tuck**, and **Senior Airman Christian Gaxiola** performed a 13-fold flag ceremony.

Like Colonel Wayne and Master Sgt. Tezel, 15 other speakers from the Grand Forks Air Force Base speakers' bureau participated in engagements in other cities in North Dakota and Minnesota (see sidebar for names and cities of Speaker's Bureau participants).

"This level of support for Memorial Day is unprecedented, and I'm glad to see it," Colonel Wayne said during a commander's call May 21.

**Master Sgt. Troy Harris**, 319th Medical Operations Squadron who was the featured guest speaker for Lakota, said he was happy to see the gratitude civilians had for the military in that community.

"From babies to elderly, there were many people out to reflect on the sacrifices of military men and women," the master sergeant said.

Back on base, a silent vigil took place at the POW/MIA flag in Heritage Park at the main gate area. That effort included the support of more than 35 warriors.

"The vigil went very well," said **Master Sgt. Ann Weir**, 319th Medical Operations Squadron and one of the coordinators for the event. "I was very impressed that so many people were willing to take a moment and remember our veterans."

Beside Weir, others supporting the silent vigil included **1st Lt. Craig Golding**, **2nd Lt. Brian Fariss**, **Chief Master Sgt. Michael Pratcher**, **Senior Master Sgts. Michael Brigande** and **Louis Lombardi**, **Master Sgts. Nelson Stephenson**, **Darnell Ingram**, **Barb Dalton** and **John Butz**, **Tech. Sgt. Bernard Lynch**, **Staff Sgts. Tomas Sanchez**, **Kikiva Hinton**, **Richard Corey**, **Christopher Campbell**, **Francis Galbraith**, **Ernesto Perez**, **Michael Iverson**, **Rebecca Moore** and **Michael Busha**, **Senior Airman Frederick Quick**, **Airmen 1st Class Joseph Ganzermiller**, **John Lundberg**, **Daniel Dashiell**, and **Anthony Piechotte**, and **Airmen James Kellum**, **Jeff Spencer**, **Chaunca Moore** and **Charles Cook**.



Photo by Master Sgt. Ann Weir

**A Warrior of the North stands at parade rest as part of a silent vigil at the POW/MIA flag pole during Memorial Day Monday.**



Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol

**Veterans in Roseau, Minn., salute during Memorial Day activities in Roseau Monday. Roseau was one of many towns where Warriors of the North sent people to serve as guest speakers.**

## Warriors everywhere

### Guest speakers serve in two states

#### North Dakota

1. **Grand Forks:** Master Sgt. Tom Tezel, 319th Medical Group
2. **Thompson:** Master Sgt. Gary Cleland, 319th Air Refueling Wing
3. **Forest River:** Airman 1st Class Anne Clark, 319th Maintenance Squadron
4. **Park River:** Staff Sgt. Richele Aumiller, 319th Mission Support Squadron
5. **Walhalla:** Tech. Sgt. Scott Davis, 319th ARW
6. **Pembina:** Tech. Sgt. Gabriel Swann, 319th Maintenance Operations Squadron
7. **St. Thomas:** Master Sgt. Joseph Allen, 319th Communications Squadron
8. **Lakota:** Master Sgt. Troy Harris, 319th MDG
9. **Drayton:** Master Sgt. Richard Pasamante, 319th ARW

10. **Larimore:** Master Sgt. Richard Lien, 319th Civil Engineer Squadron

#### Minnesota

1. **East Grand Forks:** Col. Steve Wayne, 319th ARW vice commander
2. **Crookston:** 1st Lt. Kevin Campbell, 319th Logistics Readiness Squadron
3. **Thief River Falls:** Chief Master Sgt. Danny Holwerda, 319th ARW command chief
4. **Roseau:** Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol, 319th ARW
5. **McIntosh:** Master Sgt. Michael Martin, 319th ARW
6. **Oslo:** 1st Lt. Matthew Smiley, 319th MXS
7. **Plummer:** 1st Lt. Brian Powers, 319th Operations Support Squadron

# Operation Enduring Friendship

## Strengthening community, base relationship throughout the year

By 1st Lt. Rob Lazaro  
Public affairs

Representatives from the North Dakota legislature, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, and East Grand Forks joined with base leadership to unveil the community and base sponsored Operation Enduring Friendship at the three-bay hanger Wednesday.

Operation Enduring Friendship will grant active duty military, full-time Guard and Reserve members as well as their families free admittance to most UND sporting events and cultural arts activities in the surrounding area.

Excluding men's hockey and sold out sporting events, more than 90 events throughout the fall and spring will be made available to base members and their families, including football, men's and women's basketball, volleyball, golf, baseball, soccer, and women's hockey. Additionally, the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra, North Dakota Museum of Arts, Dakota Science Center, area businesses, and an ever-growing list of participant will also offer benefits and discounts for base members and their families.

"It's unprecedented! I have never seen

such an generous gift from an entire community to the military," said Col. Steve Wayne, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander. "It will definitely improve the quality of life for all of our military folks and their families here."

The idea and name for "Operation Enduring Friendship" was developed by Mr. Phil Harmeson, University of North Dakota vice president and honorary commander, along with many others from Grand Forks/East Grand Forks communities.

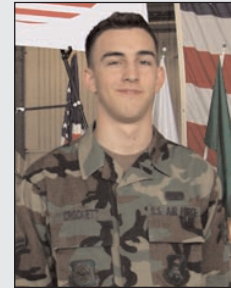
"It's an opportunity to invite members of 319th Air Refueling Wing to come out to our backyard and enjoy the wonderful community we share," said Mr. Harmeson. "It's our way of saying thank you and showing our appreciation to the men and women who defend our nation's freedom year round."

An OEF emblem unveiled at the announcement ceremony will highlight community businesses and events that support the base through the program. The design for the OEF logo, created by 2nd Lt. Kristy Herman, 319th Logistics Readiness Squadron, embodies the partnership that bonds the Grand Cities, UND, and base.

The people on the base can no longer say, "there's nothing to do or I can't

## What do you think of OEF?

**Airman 1st Class Adam Crockett**



"I think it breaks down the stigma about being stationed here in Grand Forks. When you get here it always seems that you run into a lot of people that like being stationed here, and now we understand why."



**Dawne Koch (Family member)**

"I am impressed by it. My husband has been in 14 years and I've never seen a community that is this supportive of the military. We would probably use the benefits at least once a month. Especially with our boys, since they're intrigued by sports at this age."

**Lt. Col. Jeff Johnson**



"It was a great ceremony and it was amazing the support we've received from the local community. You

can tell that the gift was a sincere and heartfelt gesture on behalf of the community leaders. My family and I are going to use it every chance we get."

afford it," said Mr. Harmeson.

"We are trying to build our state and move forward," said North Dakota Governor John Hoven. "The efforts of the UND and the Grand Forks community show that the men and women of the Grand Fork Air Force Base are

incredibly important to us...not just because they defend our freedom or because of their economic impact, but because they bring people from all around this great country to Grand Forks, ND and that's a tremendous benefit to the citizens of the state."

# Community

## Today

**ALL-NIGHT SOFTBALL:** The annual all-night softball tournament begins at 5:30 p.m. and continues throughout the night and into Saturday morning.

Also, there will be a local radio disc jockey broadcasting music, while enjoying the games.

For details, call the sports and fitness center at 747-3384.

**TEENSUPREME:** There is a TeenSupreme meeting every Friday for ages 14 to 18 from 9 to 10 p.m. at the Liberty Square teen Center.

For details, call the youth center at 747-3150.

**LIBERTY SQUARE FRIDAY NIGHTS:** There is open skating at Liberty Square for ages 6 to 18 from 6 to 10 p.m. Cost is \$3 for admission and \$2 for skate rental.

The teen center will be open for ages 13 to 18 from 6 to 11 p.m.

## Saturday

**CLUB KARAOKE:** The Northern Lights Club offers Karaoke from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

**CLUB DANCING:** The Northern Lights Club offers dancing to 'Club Mix' music with "DJ C" from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

**YOUTH GALAXY BOWLING:** Dakota Lanes offers galaxy bowling for ages 9 to 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. and ages 13 to 15 from 8 to 10 p.m.

Cost is \$2.50 per hour and 75 cents for shoe rental. There must be at least 10 to hold this event. Register at the youth center.

## Sunday

**TOPS IN BLUE:** United States Air Force Services presents a free concert by Tops in Blue at the Alerus Center.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 7:30 p.m. This event is open to the public.

Tops in Blue is celebrating 50 years of entertainment history and 100 years of powered flight.

For details, call the 319th Services Squadron marketing department at 747-3238.

## Monday



**TORCH CLUB MEETING:** There is a Torch Club meeting every Monday for ages 11 to 13 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the youth center.

For details, call the youth center at 747-3150.

**CANDY BINGO:** There is candy bingo every Monday for ages 6 to 12 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the youth center.

## Tuesday



**BOATER SAFETY CLASS:** There is a free boater safety class being offered at outdoor recreation Tuesday and June 17 from 6 to 9:30 p.m.

This class is required before renting motorized watercraft from outdoor recreation. Also, North Dakota law requires persons ages 12 to 15 to pass an approved boating course before operating motorboats propelled by motors over 10 horsepower (to include personal watercraft).

Additionally, many insurance companies offer a premium discount to adults who complete this course. Register at outdoor recreation, or call 747-3688.

**PING PONG TOURNAMENT:** The youth center is holding a free ping pong tournament for ages 9 to 12 at 5:30 p.m. and ages 13 to 18 at 7 p.m.

## Thursday

**MANCALA TOURNAMENT:** The youth center is holding a free Mancala tournament for ages 9 to 12 at 6:30 p.m. and ages 13 to 18 at 8 p.m. at the youth center.

**TEEN STUDY GROUP:** There is a teen study group for ages 13 to 18 that meets every Thursday at the youth center from 7 to 8 p.m.

## Upcoming



**KID'S FISHING DERBY:** Outdoor Recreation is holding its Kid's Fishing Derby at Larimore Dam from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 7. Prizes will be awarded starting at 3:30 p.m.

Cost is \$1 per child, and registration begins at 9 a.m. Also, grilled hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided for all participants.

Age groups are 3 to 5, 6 to 8, 9 to 13 and 14 to 15. Prizes that will be awarded are first, second and third places for heaviest stringer in each age group, and first place for the largest northern pike, largest bass and largest pan fish.

Each participant is allowed to weigh one fish per hour. Pre-registration is encouraged, but not necessary.

Pre-register at outdoor recreation. Lots of volunteers are still needed. Volunteers will meet at outdoor recreation 5 p.m. June 4.

**PHOTOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIPS:** To encourage talented Northern Lights Club members to hone their skills and pursue photography as a career, the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and the Circuit City Foundation are offering the ImageMakers photography scholarships for club members ages 16 to 18.

To apply, members must compile five photographs, in any medium or mixture of media, showcasing their talent.

Photographs should be displayed in a portfolio along with a typed one-page personal statement on any subject written by the photographer.

Applications can be picked up at the youth center. Portfolio, personal statement and application must be submitted to the youth center by June 9.

All club members who submit portfolios will receive certificates of merit, and the top four portfolio photographers will each receive \$3,000 scholarships to be used for college or art school.

**GIVE PARENTS A BREAK:** Register by June 10 for the next "Give Parents a Break" date, scheduled for June 14.

"Give Parents a Break" provides eligible parents a few hours break from the stress of parenting. The Air Force Aid Society provides funding, making it possible for the child development center to open and provide care for this special program.

To take advantage of this program, families must be referred by either their squadron commander or first sergeant, chaplain, doctor or medical professional, family advocacy personnel, family support center personnel, or CDC personnel.

For details, call the CDC at 747-3042.

**VALLEY FAIR:** Register by June 11 for outdoor recreations June 14 trip to Valley Fair.

Transportation departs outdoor recreation at 5 a.m. and returns around midnight.

Cost is \$40 and includes transportation and admission to the park.

For details, call outdoor recreation at 747-3688.



**RED RIVER EXHIBITION:** Register by June 18 for outdoor recreation's Red River exhibition beginning in Winnipeg June 21.

Transportation departs at 7 a.m. from outdoor recreation and will late the same evening.

Cost is \$17.50 per adult, \$27.50 for a family of two, \$37.50 for a family of three, or \$47.50 for a family of four (family prices include two adults over 18; additional adults pay the regular price) and includes transportation only.

For details, call outdoor recreation at 747-3688.

### SDC NOTABLES:

► The skills development center's summer hours are now in effect. Summer hours are Mondays through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and closed Sundays, holidays, weekends and goal days.

► There will be no classes offered for the month of June.

► Spouses groups may have free use of the SDC classroom during regular operating hours. Call 747-3482 to make a reservation.

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# Community

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## CDC CHILD CARE OPENINGS:

The child development center now has several childcare openings for 3- to 5-year-olds.

Care is offered Mondays through Fridays from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For details call, the CDC at 747-3042.

## OUTDOOR RECREATION

**NOTABLES:** Outdoor recreation still has the new season's fishing licenses (required as of Apr. 1, 2003) available. Licenses include certificates, individual fishing stamps, sportsmen's, and husband and wife fishing stamps.

**June 4** – Deer gun and muzzleloader application deadline.

**June 7, 8** – North Dakota "free fishing" weekend.

► Outdoor recreation offersevening fishing trips to Devil's Lake for ice-out walleyes and northern pike.

Be on the lookout for notices about upcoming trips.

► The spring migration and breeding season has begun, and there are a number of places locally that draw a variety of interesting birds. Outdoor recreation offers binoculars and bird books that to get birdwatchers started on enjoying the birding season.

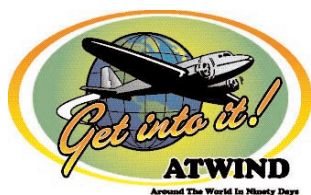
Outdoor recreation is also offering some evening and early morning birding trips as migrants arrive.

► Boats or campers can be reserved the first day of the month prior to the month equipment is needed.

Boat and camper reservation deposit fees are \$20 for weekends and \$40 for a week or longer. Deposits are non-refundable.

## Weekly ATWIND events

Participate in any of these events and receive an "Around the World in Ninety Days" game piece.



### Mondays:

Fast Eddies ATWIND day  
Plainsview Golf Course lunch day  
ATWIND golf day at Plainsview Golf Course

### Tuesdays:

Dakota Lanes lunch day  
ATWIND family swim day at the base pool  
Aerobics class at the sports and fitness center  
Northern Lights Club barber shop ATWIND day

### Wednesdays:

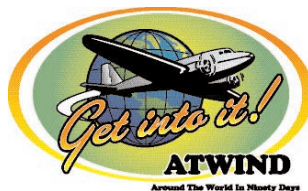
Northern Lights Club lunch day  
Airey Dining Facility lunch day  
ATWIND red pin bowling day at Dakota Lanes  
"Check-us-out" day at outdoor recreation  
Sports and fitness center ATWIND day

### Thursdays:

ATWIND youth bowling day at Dakota Lanes  
Skills development center ATWIND day  
Auto skills center ATWIND day  
Fast Eddies ATWIND day

### Fridays:

Northern Lights Club family dining  
Base library ATWIND day  
Water aerobics at the base pool  
Open skating at Liberty Square

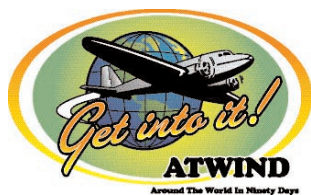


### Saturdays:

Sing Karaoke at the Northern Lights Club  
ATWIND bowling day at Dakota Lanes

### Sundays:

ATWIND golf day at Plainsview Golf Course  
ATWIND family swim day at the Base Pool



# Discover fishing in North Dakota

## Missouri River System

North Dakota's Missouri River System is a tale of four distinct bodies of water, each with its own special characteristics.

## The Upper Missouri

The Missouri enters North Dakota from Montana and flows freely for many miles until it calms down at the headwaters of Lake Sakakawea. This upper Missouri stretch, joined by the Yellowstone River just inside the state's borders, is where sauger bite well in spring and fall, northern pike inhabit many backwaters, and catfish much of the open-water season.

## Lake Sakakawea

Lake Sakakawea starts just south of Williston and stretches out more than 150 miles to the southeast where it is contained by Garrison Dam, one of the larger earth-rolled dams in the world. Walleye attract considerable attention from Sakakawea anglers throughout the reservoir...Northern pike, North Dakota's state fish, can grow larger than 20 pounds and cruise hundreds of bays that add up to the lake's more than 1,300 miles of shoreline, almost all of which is publicly owned. The deep, cold water of lower Sakakawea harbors chinook salmon, while the north-

ern face of the dam and underwater rocky points and islands support a tremendous smallmouth bass fishery. White bass, yellow perch, crappie, sauger and rainbow and brown trout are also plentiful in certain parts of the lake.

## Central Missouri River

From Garrison Dam, the Missouri River resumes its natural course, flowing cool and clear until it reaches Lake Oahe's headwaters some 75 miles downstream to a point about 20 miles south of Bismarck and Mandan. Just below the dam, the Garrison Dam Tailrace is one of the premier fishing spots in the state. State records for chinook salmon, and brown, rainbow and cutthroat trout were caught within 20 miles downstream of the dam. Walleyes are found in this entire stretch of river, with impressive spring and fall runs.

## Lake Oahe

North Dakota contains about 60 miles of Lake Oahe, which extends another 120 miles into South Dakota, where it ends at Oahe Dam north of Pierre. North Dakota's portion of the reservoir supports a walleye and northern pike fishery, along with seldom tapped but enticing crappie, catfish and white bass possibilities.



## Devils Lake

Once known primarily for its jumbo perch caught through the ice, Devils Lake has grown, in more ways than one. Northern pike, walleye, white bass and crappie all compete for angling attention year-round. While the lake has tripled in size since 1992, fish populations have kept up with expanding water.

Pike cruise in and around flooded trees. And when you find a school of white bass, these plate-sized fighters will nail your lure on almost every cast. Walleye and perch are plentiful and ice anglers still come from far and wide in quest of perch that push two pounds.

## Red River of the North

Call it a beneficial merger. The joining of the Ottertail and Bois de Sioux rivers between Wahpeton, N.D. and Breckenridge, Minn., creates one of the finest catfish rivers in the country. From its headwaters and all along its winding course between North Dakota and Minnesota, the Red River of the North produces catfish—from drag-searing monsters to bait-stealing “fiddlers.”

Species, Daily Limit, Possession Limit

\*Northern Pike, 3, 6

Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye or

Combination, 5, 10

Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass or Combination, 3, 6

Trout, 3, 6

Salmon, 5, 10

Muskellunge, 1, 1

Yellow Perch, 35, 175

Bluegill, 35, 175

Crappie, 35, 175

White Bass, no limit, no limit

Burbot (ling), no limit, no limit

Rock Bass, no limit, no limit

\*Channel Catfish, no limit, no limit

\*Consult regulations for daily and possession limits on other species.

## Regulation Highlights

- On nearly all North Dakota waters, fishing for game fish is open year-round, April 1 - March 31. Exceptions include a few small lakes designated as Special Fish Management Areas.

- Fathead and stickleback minnows, creek chubs and spottail shiners are the only legal live bait fish allowed on most North Dakota waters. On about 20 lakes in the state, no live bait fish of any kind are allowed. (Consult official regulations for definition of bait fish, and the list of lakes where all bait fish are restricted.)

- On the Missouri River and Lake Oahe from Garrison Dam south to the South Dakota border, the daily walleye/sauger limit may include only one fish of 18 inches or larger.

- On most North Dakota waters, each angler is allowed to use two poles or lines. On Special Fish Management Areas, the Garrison Dam Tailrace wingwalls, and a small area near Drayton Dam, only one line per angler is allowed.

- On all lakes anglers can use up to four lines for ice fishing only. Copies of the official 2002-2004 North Dakota fishing regulations are available at state license vendors and Game and Fish Department offices.

Please read the regulations carefully before fishing, and if you have questions, contact the Game and Fish Department at call 701-328-6300.



Courtesy photos

# President presents trophy to academy team

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker  
Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** -- President Bush presented the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy to senior cadets of the Air Force Academy football team during a May 16 ceremony in the White House.

The trophy is presented annually to the service academy football team that bests its academy rivals in collegiate football. The Air Force Academy Fighting Falcons have gone undefeated against Army and Navy since 1996.

"I'm proud to welcome back to the White House the Air Force Academy Falcons who have now won the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy for the sixth consecutive year and the 16th time overall," Bush said.

"The football rivalry amongst our military academies is one of the greatest traditions in our nation," the president told the cadets. "And the qualities that you learn on the football field will serve

our nation in good stead after you graduate."

Head football coach Fisher DeBerry agreed.

"These gentlemen possess great character and leadership qualities," DeBerry said. "I'm just honored that the president would take the time to present his trophy to such an outstanding group of young men."

Although proud to welcome the team as football stars and champions, Bush said he was even more proud to be able to reassure fellow Americans that people of high caliber, quality and skill will serve in the nation's defense during such a dangerous time, allowing him to predict that the "United States of America will win the war on terror."

"The skills you have learned on the football field and at the Air Force Academy are going to be necessary skills to protect the American people from the true threats of the 21st century," Bush said.

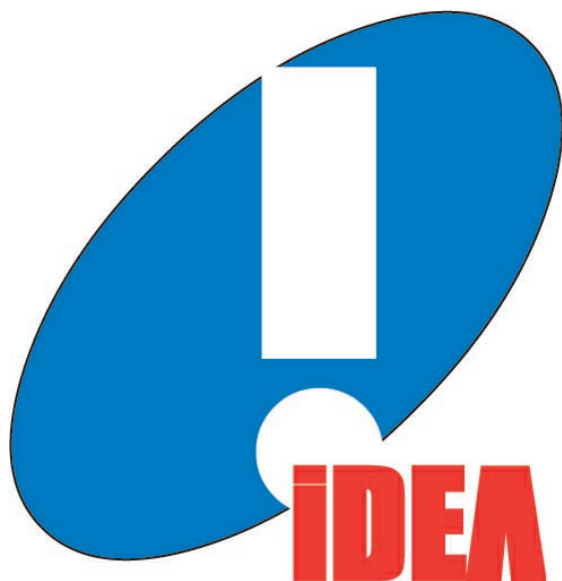


*Photo by Staff Sgt. A. J. Bosker*

**Air Force Academy Cadet 1st Class Bryan Blew presents President Bush with a personalized football jersey during the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy ceremony May 16 in the White House.**

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For the latest news on the IDEA program, consult the  
Grand Forks Air Force Base IDEA analyst.  
**Mr. Eugene Haskell, 747-3249**



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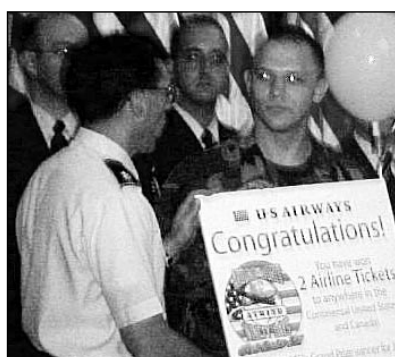
**Get ready!**

## Summer's here and ATWIND begins



Starting 1 June, and continuing for ninety days, Air Mobility Command (AMC) and Air Force Space Command (AFSPC) present the super summer promotion, Around The World In Ninety Days, more commonly known as ATWIND.

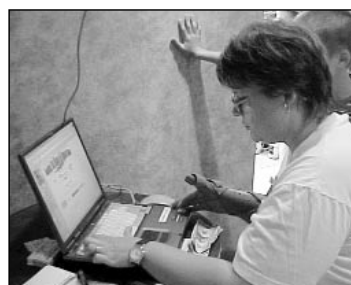
The goal of the ATWIND promotion is to increase awareness and participation in programs, services and activities throughout the command. ATWIND's



Master Events List includes opportunities in recreational activities, sports and fitness, social functions, youth programs, educational opportunities, family support programs, chapel programs, base events and services. There is also a Services Quiz – six questions – new each month, receive 1,100 miles credit for completing. The player's "mission" is to travel from one landmark destination to another. Players earn travel miles every time they participate in an ATWIND event. The program runs from June 1- August 31, 2003.

You can try out the program by registering the free introductory game piece

#9999-2003-999. Participants must register to play and then log their miles by accessing the ATWIND Internet website ([www.atwind.com](http://www.atwind.com)) or



calling ATWIND's toll-free number, 1-888-597-9960. Players work their way around the world by flying to five different destinations. Upon reaching a specific destination, they are then entered into the drawing for that destination's prize. More ATWIND participation means more game pieces and earns more mileage towards more prizes. There are five destinations, each with its own grand prize. This year, prizes range from promotional T-shirts to vacation packages and cash. "ATWINNER" random prizes will also be awarded during the game piece registration process. Each base will have random winners drawn in June - \$1,000 and July - a pair of round-trip airline tickets. All prize drawings are conducted at random.



Both AMC and AFSPC will have dedicated command prizes. Once registered, players will participate in their command program. Both commands will feature a base-to-base competition. Both AMC and AFSPC each have \$100,000 they will award to bases achieving their "ATWIND Mission." Watch the base newspaper or visit any Services facility for more information.

**Coming August 21  
SUMMER BASH  
2003!**  
Watch for details in the coming issues!

## WEEKLY ATWIND EVENTS

*Participate in any of these events and receive an ATWIND game piece!*

### Monday

Fast Eddies **ATWIND** Day  
Plainsview Golf Course Lunch Day  
**ATWIND** Golf Day at Plainsview Golf Course

### Tuesday

Dakota Lanes Lunch Day  
**ATWIND** Family Swim Day at the Base Pool  
Aerobics Class at the Sports & Fitness Center  
Northern Lights Club Barber Shop **ATWIND** Day

### Wednesday

Northern Lights Club Lunch Day  
Airey Dining Facility Lunch Day  
**ATWIND** Red Pin Bowling Day at Dakota Lanes  
"Check-us-out" Day at Outdoor Recreation  
Sports & Fitness Center **ATWIND** Day

### Thursday

**ATWIND** Youth Bowling Day at Dakota Lanes  
Skills Development Center **ATWIND** Day  
Auto Skills Center **ATWIND** Day  
Fast Eddies **ATWIND** Day

### Friday

Northern Lights Club Family Dining  
Base Library **ATWIND** Day  
Water Aerobics at the Base Pool  
Open Skating at Liberty Square

### Saturday

Sing Karaoke at the Northern Lights Club  
**ATWIND** Bowling Day at Dakota Lanes

### Sunday

**ATWIND** Golf Day at Plainsview Golf Course  
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## SPORTS & TOURNAMENT BITS

**Mancala Tournament** - June 5, ages 9 - 12 at 6:30 p.m. and ages 13 - 18 at 8 p.m.  
**"3 on 3" Basketball** - June 14, ages 9 - 12 at 7 p.m. and ages 13 - 18 at 9 p.m.  
 Pick your own teams of 3.

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**Geography Bee** - 18 June, ages 9 - 12 at 6 p.m. and ages 13 - 18 at 8 p.m.

**Mondays:** *"Candy Bingo"* for ages 6-12 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., and ages 13 - 18 from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Free! *"Torch Club Meeting"* for ages 11 - 13 at 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesdays:** *"Tournament Tuesdays"* at the Youth Center for ages 9 - 12 at 6:30 p.m., ages 13 - 18 at 8 p.m. June 3 - Ping Pong, June 10 - Pool, June 17 - Chess & Checker, June 24 - Foosball.

**Fridays:** *"Open Skating"* for ages 6 - 18 at Liberty Square from 5 to 9 p.m. The Liberty Square Teen Center is open from 5 to 10 p.m. *"TEENS supreme Meeting"* for ages 14 - 18 from 9 to 10 p.m. at Liberty Square TEEN Center.

For any additional information contact the Youth Center at 747-3150.

**ATWIND events**

✓ Torch Club Meeting - Mondays

- ✓ Open Skating - Fridays
- ✓ TEENS supreme Meeting - Fridays
- ✓ Participate in Youth Sports
- ✓ Chaperone a Youth Program
- ✓ Participation in the Fine Arts Program
- ✓ Certify in Youth Coaching and get 3 game pieces
- ✓ Register for the "Read By Mail" Program

# Take a look at all the summer fun for June at the Youth Center

## Preteen Video Night

Join the Youth Center's video night June 7 for ages 6 - 12 from 8 to 10 p.m. Cost is \$1, popcorn included.

## Longfellow's "Whales Tales" Water Safety Course

The Youth Center will be offering this water safety course June 9 to 13, for ages 6 - 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. There is a limit of 20, sign up at the Youth Center. No prior swimming experience is necessary. The program is designed



by the Red Cross to save lives and promote water safety awareness in elementary schools. Contact the Youth Center for additional information. Cost is \$15 per youth.

## Preteen "Mini Lock-in"

Sign up for this mini lock-in June 21 - then Moms and Dads can enjoy a night

out! For ages 6 - 12 from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. We must have 15 youth registered by June 17 to hold this event. A parent permission slip is required. There will be games, arts & crafts, tournaments, music, movies and more! Cost is \$15; dinner and snacks provided.

## Preteen Scavenger Hunt

How well do you know the Youth Center? Come and find out June 26 at 6:30 p.m., for ages 9 - 12. A prize award for top finishers. Free!

## Teen Pizza Party

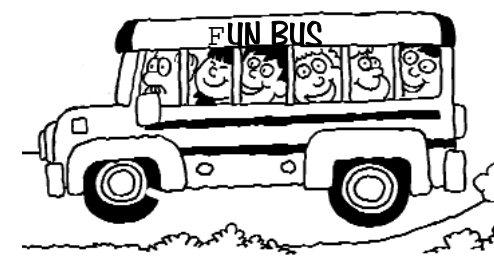
Make your own pizzas in the Youth Center's Kitchen June 28 at 8 p.m. - then enjoy a movie and friends! Cost is \$5 per teen, we will provide all ingredients and sodas. For ages 13 - 18, sign up at the Youth Center by June 26.

## New on Thursdays

### Summer "Fun Bus"

Hop on board the Youth Center's "FUN

BUS" - in a neighborhood near you! There will be games, arts & crafts, tournaments and a variety of summertime activities for school age youth offered by the Youth Center staff.



June 12 - Sun Flake Circle Play ground Area, 3 to 5 p.m.

June 26 - Redwood & Poplar Play ground Area, 3 to 5 p.m.

## Open Skating

Liberty Square will have open skating June 5 and 19 from 3 to 5 p.m. for ages 6 - 18. Cost is \$2 for admissions and \$1 for skate rental. *The Teen Center will not be open.*

# Soar into Reading!

## Age Categories:

- Pre-Kindergarten (50 points per book)
- Grade K through 2nd\* (100 points per book)
- Grade 3rd through 5th\* (150 points per book)
- Grade 6th through 8th\* (200 points per book)
- Grade 9th through 12th (250 points per book)

**Earn points toward prizes at the Base Library!**

**Participate & earn an ATWIND game piece! Stop by the Library or Youth Center for details!**



GFAFB Library, 747-3046

## Reading Bonus for Grades K- 8 - it's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

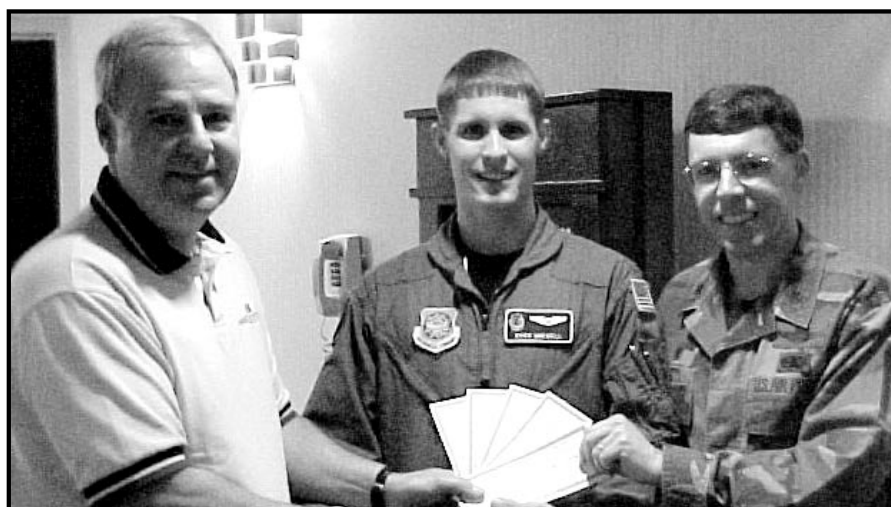
1. Grades K- 8 register at the Youth Center for the Book Adventure\* program!
2. Select your own book list from over 13,000 recommended titles, take multiple choice quizzes on the books you read, and earn points and prizes for your literary successes!
3. Plus, visit your base library and report your Book Adventure points for additional Soar into Reading local prizes!



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\* Book Adventure is a FREE reading motivation program for children in grades K-8. Children create their own book lists from over 13,000 recommended titles, take multiple choice quizzes on the books they read off-line, and earn points and prizes for their literary successes. Book Adventure was created by the Sylvan Learning Foundation and is a non-profit organization.

GFAFB Youth Center, 747-3151



## Our April Comment Card Winner

Lt. Ryan Miksell, Pilot from the 912th ARS, receives \$50 in Services gift certificates from Mr. Ken Beeck, First Command Financial, and Lt Col Clifford B. Fitts, 319th Services Squadron Commander.



## Don't miss this year's . . .

# KID'S 2003 Annual Fishing Derby

## Sat., June 7, 10 am to 2 pm at Larimore Dam

For registration and details call Outdoor Recreation, 747-3688

**Registration starts at 9 am - Awards at 2:15 pm**

**\$1 per child - Age categories: 3-5, 6-8, 9-13 & 14-15**

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**PARTICIPATION WILL GET YOU AN ATWIND GAME PIECE!**

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Participation will get you an ATWIND game piece!

- ✓ “Check-us-out” Day - Wednesdays
- ✓ Complete a Boater’s Safety Course
- ✓ Rent a Camping Package
- ✓ Purchase a Swim Pass
- ✓ Family Swim Day - Sundays & Tuesdays
- ✓ Register for Swim Lessons



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Call 747-3688 for details, or stop by Outdoor Recreation to reserve the pavilion - located north of Auto Skills next to the softball fields.

Outstanding trips with Outdoor Recreation



**Valleyfair**  
Outdoor Recreation is offering a great fun filled day June 14 to Valleyfair! Enjoy Valleyfair’s new 185 - foot impulse coaster – *Steel Venom*,

along with all the other wonderful amusements. This new ride is an impulse coaster delivering speed, height and twists. Also, once in the park your admission entitles you to splash around **White water Country Water Park**. Take the plunge on four fabulous water rides or relax in the pool. After all that excitement, relax with a variety of live shows featured daily at any one of three stages. Cost is \$40; includes transportation and park admission. Departure will be from Outdoor Recreation at 5 a.m. and will return late the same day. Sign up by June 11.



**Red River Exhibition – Winnipeg**

Come with Outdoor Recreation June 21 for Manitoba’s largest summer event. Featured is a large midway – Conklin Show, numerous free attractions and show, creative displays, equestrian events in the show ring, petting zoo, farm animal display and rows of concessions. This is a day for the whole family! Cost is \$17.50 per adult, \$27.50 per couple and family costs are: \$37.50 for three and \$47.50 for four (Family prices include two adults over 18, additional adults pay the normal fee). Departure will be at 7 a.m. from Outdoor Recreation and will return late the same day. Sign up by June 18. *Participate in this trip and receive an ATWIND game piece.*

**Red Lake River Canoeing Trip**

Come paddle the Red Lake River with Outdoor Recreation June 28. The trip begins 12 miles above Thief River Falls, and then we will make our way down the lazy run to Thief River. Bring your own lunch and enjoy a relaxing day as we guide you down the river. Canoeing run takes about 3- to 3½-hours. Cost is \$15 per adult, \$10 per child 12 and under accompanied by an adult and \$35 per family (up to four members including two adults); includes transportation, canoe, paddle, and lifejacket. Will depart from Outdoor Recreation at 7 a.m. and will return that evening. Sign up by June 24. *Participate in this trip and receive an ATWIND game piece.*

**Design-a-Tour**

Outdoor Recreation offers a popular service called, *Design-A-Tour*. If you don’t see a trip that interests you - name the place and the date and we will help organize a trip. A group of a minimum of six people is needed.

Here are some suggested trips for you and your friends, your private organization or your squadron...

- ♦Plays and Performances in Fargo
- ♦Winnipeg's shopping and night life
- ♦Ballet, opera, concerts in Winnipeg
- ♦Family get-away weekends to Thief River Falls & Fargo
- ♦Area Casino's
- ♦Minnesota Twins baseball or Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks baseball

**Need a service? Outdoor Recreation is just the place!**

**Outdoor Recreation has information, services and equipment to offer. Here are just a few! For a complete listing of what is available come by Outdoor Recreation or pick up a brochure at one of the many 319th Services facilities.**

**Small Engine Repairs** - Our small engine mechanic can do all your small engine repairs. June is a good time to have your garden tiller, lawnmower, edger and weed-whacker looked at.

**Chain Saws for Rent** - We have two chain saws available for rent. Each rents for \$30 per day and comes complete with saw and carrying case, safety goggles, safety chaps, file, chain lube and one gallon gas.

**Auto Car Carrier and Tow Dolly** - Outdoor Recreation has a full Auto Car Carrier and Tow Dolly available for local rentals only; rental cost for either is \$35 per day. You will need a full size pickup with Class III or V hitch, and 2 5/16"-ball for renting the car carrier.

**Bird Watching** - The breeding season is in full swing, and there are a number of places

locally that draw a variety of interesting birds. At Outdoor Recreation we have binoculars and bird books that will get you started enjoying the birding season. We can also offer advice on the best areas for viewing the different species. Stop by and talk to us.

**FAMCAMP** - Services include: mini Laundromat, showers, handicap accessible restrooms and cable all for the low price of \$12 per night. We have Frequent Camper packages for sale, call or stop by for details. They are a great gift for the Retired Military on the go to different bases across the United States.

**Camper and Boat Reservations** - You can reserve a boat or camper the first day of the month prior to the month you need the equipment. Boat and camper reservation deposit fees are \$20 for weekend and \$40 for week or longer. Deposits are non-refundable.

**ND Outdoor Notables**  
June 4 - Deer gun and muzzleloader application deadline  
June 7 & 8 - ND "Free Fishing" weekend  
July 2 - Fall turkey application deadline

SPEEDWAY TICKETS

Summer Lawn Care Services

*If you live in base housing and need help caring for your lawn, call Outdoor Recreation at 747-3688 for an estimate*  
Our service includes cutting your lawn, edging and trimming!



GET YOUR SHARE OF **\$25,000**

**IN SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS!**

For Air Force Club members & their families only!

**TO ENTER**

Write an essay of 500 words or less on *Air Force Clubs - Help Us Make "Members First"*

Your essay should concentrate on the club facility, membership programs, food, beverage, entertainment and customer service. Entries must be submitted by July 15, 2003 to your base Services Commander. Each base will select two essays for national competition. Final scholarship selection will be announced by October 1, 2003.

For complete rules, eligibility and an entry form stop by the ...



**HERE'S WHAT YOUR ESSAY COULD WIN!**

1st Place - \$6,000  
2nd Place - \$5,500  
3rd Place - \$4,500  
4th Place - \$3,500  
5th Place - \$3,000  
6th Place - \$2,500

**APPLY TODAY!**  
**747-3392**

*Northern Lights Club*

GRAND FORKS AFB

**Some other great ATWIND events!**

Airman's Bowling Night Out  
Squadron Bowling  
Join the Club  
Golf Lessons  
Squadron Golf Tournaments  
Summer Intramurals  
Pet Registration

*Check with the Facilities for a complete list of their ATWIND activities and events!*



# Northern Lights Club

GRAND FORKS AFB

Evening Dining with the **Frontier Grill** MENU or chose the **FRIDAY** specials! from 5:30 to 8 pm

**FRIDAY'S - TGIF - Social Hour 5 pm**

**KARAOKE & LATE NIGHT CLUB MIX IS OPEN TO ALL RANKS!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2	3 <b>LUNCH EVERY TUESDAY</b> Chef's Choice*	4 <b>LUNCH EVERY WEDNESDAY</b> Super Salad & Sandwich Bar*	5 <b>LUNCH EVERY THURSDAY</b> Roast Beef & Baked Chicken*	6 <b>LUNCH EVERY FRIDAY</b> Fish & Shrimp*  <b>Evening Dining SPECIAL!</b> Rib Eye Steak - \$7.95	7 <b>The Sports Bar</b> Saturdays 5 pm to 3 am
8 <b>CLOSED For the Summer! See you in the Fall!</b>	9 <b>The Sports Bar OPEN Mondays - 4 to 8 pm!</b>	10 <b>TUESDAY's are ATWIND*</b> Barber Shop Day! 8:30 am to 5 pm  <b>FREE Pool Tuesdays!</b>	11 <b>WEDNESDAY's are ATWIND*</b> Lunch Day! 11 am to 1 pm	12	13 <b>FRIDAYS</b> Kid's Menu 1/2 price  <b>Evening Dining SPECIAL!</b> 1 lb. of Crablegs \$12.95	14 <b>SATURDAY's are ATWIND*</b> SING Karaoke! 10 pm to 3 am
15	16	17	18	19 <b>SPECIAL TODAY!</b> \$1 Lunch Day	20 <b>FRIDAY's are ATWIND*</b> Family Night Dining! 5:30 to 8 pm  <b>Evening Dining SPECIAL!</b> 10 oz. New York Strip-\$7.95	21 <b>LATE NIGHT CLUB MIX</b> Saturdays 10 pm to 3 am
22	23	24 <b>*A La Carte lunch Tue-Fri from 11 am to 1 pm</b> All lunches and dinners can be made for CARRY-OUT orders	25	26	27 <b>SPOUSES OF THE DEPLOYED</b> Receive 20% off your evening DINNER  <b>Evening Dining SPECIAL!</b> Mongolian BBQ	28
29	30	<p><b>June 2003</b> <b>747-3392</b></p>				<p>Every club member receives \$2 off the dining menu &amp; \$1 off lunch at The Club.</p> <p>Outdoor Recreation, Auto Skills Center, Skills Development Center, Dakota Lanes, Plainsview Golf Course &amp; the Base Pool offer specials to Club Members.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> visit our facilities to learn more <input type="checkbox"/></p>

**Participate in these events and receive an ATWIND game piece!\***

**Members First**